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ITALIAN ARMIES GAIN OBJECTIVES--REST UP TO POLITICIANS



Race followers remember with regret that Golden Miller, the 1934 Grand National winner, fell twice in the 1935 race on the Aintree course and now, because of his remarkable failure at Newbury, are asking "does a horse ever forget?" Golden Miller is, however, second favourite for the National.

TOKYO REVOLT ECHO

Supreme War Council Resigns

MATTER TO BE SUBMITTED TO THRONE TO-DAY
Tokyo, To-day.
In connection with the events of February 26 the former War Minister, General Hayashi, last evening verbally informed the War Minister, General Kawashima, that he and his military colleagues on the Supreme War Council, Generals Araki, Mazaki, Abe Nishi and Terauchi Ueda, accepting responsibility, wished informally to tender their resignations from the War Council.
General Kawashima will submit the matter to the throne to-day. — Reuter.
Tokyo: Though somewhat chastened by recent events the army is working strenuously to lay down the policy of the new Government. Its requirements include the definition of State policy to remove all traces of the suggestion that the army and navy are responsible to anyone by the Emperor; the complete fulfilment of the national defence requirements, according to the army's own ideas; and a redress of the balance between industry and the depressed part of the population. — Reuter.

LONDON COMMENT ON DEFENCE PLAN SEVERE CRITICISM OF WHITE PAPER LABOUR PARTY SPLIT FORESEEN

London, To-day.
The Government is likely to find itself assailed by its political opponents and criticised by disappointed supporters when the defence programme is debated in the House of Commons next week. Comment made so far in the lobby indicates that many Conservative members regard the programme as inadequate, while the White Paper was severely criticised at a meeting of the Navy Parliamentary Committee, the Government supporters among the members of which intend to press for a larger programme of immediate measures.

Meanwhile the Government's proposals, particularly regarding labour, have placed the Labour Party in a difficult position. The influence of the trade union leaders is expected to be used to awards meeting of the Labour hostility towards the proposals as great lessening of the intellectual side of the party taking the opposite view political observers envisage a split of some magnitude in the ranks of the Labour Party.

PARIS CRIES "BRAVO" First Reactions To White Paper SHOULD BE MORE EXTENSIVE

Paris, To-day.
"Bravo" was the first view expressed in influential quarters at the British White Paper, though a further observation was that it is a pity the proposals were not produced faster and are not more extensive. — Reuter's Bulletin Service.
The White Paper envisages an appropriation of £300,000,000 for defence purposes, the programme including "the provision of two battleships for 1937, the cruiser strength to be brought to 70 in 1936 with five new vessels being built, the continuation of the modernisation of present battle-ships, new types of aircraft-carriers, the rapid replacement of destroyers and submarines and an increase in the personnel of the navy by 60,000 men by March 31, 1937. (Continued on Page 12)



When it is zero at sea level, army pilots have to be prepared for 20 or 30 below as they fly at dizzy heights in winter tests. Lieut. Eaters is shown donning the new flying suit which covers the wearer up to the eyes as he got ready to take off at Mitchell Field, New York, to repel a "bomber attack."

SWEEPING CHANGES IN U.S. TAXATION ROOSEVELT ASKS FOR \$620,000,000 ADDITIONAL REVENUE

Washington, To-day.
Sweeping changes in taxation, including the imposition of a tax on undistributed company profits and the repeal of the graduated company income-tax, are recommended by President Roosevelt, in a message to Congress. The President asks for \$620,000,000 additional revenue, which is a direct sequel to the recent Supreme Court's decisions invalidating the legislation and passing of the Veterans' Bonus Bill in the teeth of the President's veto.

COLD WAVE GRIPS CANTON SNOW ON BORDERS OF KWANGTUNG

Calendar premature in announcing spring
[From Our Own Correspondent]
Canton, To-day.
For the fifth day Canton is in the grip of a cold wave, with northerly winds. The sufferings among the poor are increased by the intermittent drizzles. The thermometer again registered 45 degrees early this morning.

U.S. NAVAL PLANS EFFECT OF BRITISH WHITE PAPER

Washington, To-day.
The probability that America will seek to follow Britain's lead and begin construction of two battleships in 1937 is foreseen in authoritative quarters. Official comment on the publication of the British rearmament programme is withheld, though it has occasioned no surprise. Observers are of the opinion that the formulation of a new American building programme will probably await the outcome of the Naval Conference. — Reuter.

BRITAIN TO KENYA DIRECT TELEPHONE SERVICE

London, To-day.—A direct radio-telephone service between Britain and Kenya will be inaugurated on March 6 with an exchange of greetings between representatives of the British and Colonial Governments. — British Wireless Service.

WEATHER REPORT

The anti-cyclone has now attained great intensity, and continues to extend southward and eastward. Pressure remains highest to the north-west of Shanghai. North-east winds, fresh to gale, was the forecast for today, as issued by the Royal Observatory this morning.

U.S. TAXATION PROPOSALS President Stuns Congress

Washington, To-day.
Congress is stunned by President Roosevelt's proposal to tax undistributed company profits. Even the Democrats are not enthusiastic, while the Republicans are openly hostile. Administration circles suggest that Mr. Roosevelt regards the proposals as tax reforms designed to strengthen income-tax and eliminate the very big leakage caused by the formation of private holding companies by wealthy persons who thereby evade payment of individual surtax. — Reuter.

INDUSTRIAL LEADERS FOR HONG KONG

Shanghai, To-day.—The 36 Chinese industrial leaders who have been investigating the economic situation in Kwangtung and Kwangsi provinces, have left for Hong Kong by the a.s. President Jefferson. — Reuter.

GENERAL OPINION IN ASMARA ETHIOPIAN TROOPS SCATTERED

RAS IMRU FORCED TO RETREAT
Asmare, To-day.

The Italians report that Ras Imru is retreating after a battle in which thousands of Abyssinians were killed. The Italian casualties are stated to be about 1,000 killed and wounded. Aeroplanes are at present attacking 4,000 Abyssinians encircled in the Avergallo region.

The battle began on the 29th. The Ethiopian losses are estimated at thousands, while the Italians had 200 dead and 600 wounded. Ras Imru is retreating to Takazze, pursued by Italian planes with bombs and machine-guns. The second Italian army corps advanced south-west to Aksum, while the newly-formed fourth army corps, consisting of divisions which have recently arrived in Africa, moved further west and advanced to the south without incident.

The second army corps met very strong resistance from successive waves of Ethiopians, until incessant fire from the Italian artillery broke down the opposition. The advance continued on Sunday, artillery again breaking up the resistance, while aeroplanes bombed, decimated and dispersed the force of 10,000 Ethiopians. Other planes dropped food and fodder for the Italians by parachutes. The fighting ended on Monday with the retreat of Ras Imru.

The action is regarded as a great victory, eliminating the scattered columns of the three great northern armies. It is now thought likely that the Italians will soon decide to pause and leave the politicians to ascertain whether the Negus is ready to talk terms. — Reuter.

ITALIAN WAR BULLETIN

Rome: Further particulars about the consequences of the Tembien battle are furnished by the Italian official war bulletin No. 144, which states that the Abyssinian losses amounted to several thousand, while the Italian loss aggregated 30 officers and 450 men, and 110 Askaris. Two airmen did not return.

For the first time in the colonial warfare, large scale operations were carried out with great masses of troops and the simultaneous operation of all weapons. Thousands of tons of material were transported daily. Several battalions of light mountain artillery were brought to the front fighting line. During the battle 80 field-telegraphs were at work. — Trans-Ocean Service.

FULL SPEED AHEAD Progress At Naval Parley

London, To-day.
Full speed ahead has been signalled at the Naval Conference in consequence of the French agreement to limit the size of battleships to 35,000 tons and to sign a three-Power treaty without Italy. The French delegation expressed the hope that the battleship issue would be reopened diplomatically in 1940 with a view to securing a smaller limit. The finishing touches are expected to be applied to the treaty this week and the formal signature will take place next week.

In the meantime bilateral negotiations between Britain and Germany and Britain and the Soviets in the frame of supplementary treaties have been hurried on. — Reuter's Bulletin Service.

TRAGEDY ON PEAK

MR. F. C. JENKIN FOUND SHOT

WELL-KNOWN LOCAL BARRISTER

We regret to announce the death, which occurred some time last night in tragic circumstances, of Mr. F. C. Jenkin, K.C., the well-known local barrister, who was discovered shortly after 7 a.m. this morning lying dead in his residence, No. 409, The Peak, shot through the head, a revolver being found beside him.

Mount Gough Police Station are in charge of the case, and the Inspector General of Police, the Hon. Mr. T. H. King, personally visited the scene of the tragedy early this morning.

OFFICIAL STATEMENT

In an interview with members of the Press this morning, the Hon. Mr. T. H. King said:—

"The servant reported early this morning that Mr. F. C. Jenkin was lying dead in his bedroom. The Police were immediately summoned and on arrival found that the servant's alarm was a correct one.

"Mr. Jenkin had obviously retired for the night, and in the early hours of the morning had taken his revolver and made an end of his life by shooting himself with it through the head.

"The revolver was found lying by the side of his body in the bedroom.

"It is understood that Mr. Jenkin had not been in the best of health for some days previously. He was living alone at home at the time of the occurrence. (Continued on Page 9)

FLYING-BOATS LEAVE AMOY

Amoy, to-day.—The R.A.F. flying-boats from the Singapore squadron left for Hong Kong at 10.15 a.m. to-day. — Reuter.
One flying-boat arrived in the Colony at approximately 12.30 p.m. and will be followed by the other two to-morrow.

MISSIONARIES AGAIN ENDANGERED

COMMUNISTS ACTIVE IN SHANSI

Peiping, To-day.
Anxiety is felt at the safety of 20 American missionaries in the Fenchow and Shansi Centre district, which has been overrun by Communist invaders from Shensi. The mission property, which includes a large hospital and school, is reported to have fallen into the hands of the Communists, but it is not known whether the missionaries escaped.
Mukden: The first message from Father Byrns' captors, received by the Maryknoll Mission, states: "We have no intention of harming your friends, but we need money." The letter was brought by a Chinese fellow-captive, who states that Father Byrns is well and unbound. — Reuter.

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Wednesdays and Saturdays, Reg. 10 a.m. Ordinary 10.30 a.m.

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Ordinary 10.30 a.m.

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Tuesdays and Thursdays, Reg. 10 a.m. Ordinary 10.30 a.m.

At Kowloon Central Post Office the mails will be closed 1/2 hour before the above times.

INWARD MAILS FROM EUROPE

Ranchi (via Suez) Mar. 5

FROM SHANGHAI

Rawalpindi Mar. 6

Pres. Jefferson Mar. 6

Gen. Pershing Mar. 6

IXION Mar. 6

Antenor Mar. 10

Emp. of Asia Mar. 12

Pres. Coolidge Mar. 12

FROM U.S.A.

Pres. Jefferson Mar. 6

Emp. of Asia Mar. 12

Pres. Coolidge Mar. 12

FROM STRAITS & INDIA

Bengal Maru Mar. 4

Achilles Mar. 9

Torukuni Maru Mar. 10

Tuyooka Maru Mar. 13

FROM JAPAN

Africa Maru Mar. 5

Pres. Jefferson Mar. 6

Rawalpindi Mar. 6

Gen. Pershing Mar. 6

Lisbon Maru Mar. 6

Moriska Maru Mar. 6

Aryo Maru Mar. 10

Emp. of Asia Mar. 12

Pres. Coolidge Mar. 12

FROM MANILA

Nankin Mar. 4

Taiiping Mar. 5

Scharnhorst Mar. 10

Athos II Mar. 10

FROM AUSTRALIA

Nankin Mar. 4

Taiiping Mar. 6

OUTWARD MAILS

FOR EUROPE

Asama Maru (via Siberia) Mar. 4

Closes: Reg. 5 p.m. Ord. 8.30 a.m.

Emp. of Japan (via Vancouver) Mar. 6

Closes: Reg. 9.15 a.m. Ord. 10 a.m.

Ranchi (via Siberia) Mar. 6

Rawalpindi (Imperial Service) Mar. 7

Closes: Reg. 9.45 a.m. Ord. 10 a.m.

Athos II (Air Orient Service) Mar. 10

Closes: Reg. 9.30 a.m. Ord. 10 a.m.

FOR SHANGHAI

Asama Maru Mar. 4

Emp. of Japan Mar. 6

Pres. Doumer Mar. 6

FOR JAPAN

Asama Maru Mar. 4

Emp. of Japan Mar. 6

Pres. Doumer Mar. 6

FOR U.S.A.

Asama Maru Mar. 4

Emp. of Japan Mar. 6

Pres. Doumer Mar. 6

FOR AUSTRALIA

Tanda Mar. 5

Women's Page

FOR THE BRIDGE HOSTESS

Attractive Match Boxes

Bridge parties are great occasions for smoking many cigarettes, so what more pleasing nation than to provide a dainty box of matches for each player?

You will need four of the smallest boxes of matches you can buy, some white embroidery thread, scraps of scarlet and tinsel felt, or similar woolen material, and a piece of sandpaper.

Wind the white thread tightly and evenly round the boxes and secure the ends along the narrow sides. Cover these sides with strips of sandpaper. Cut out a Club, a Diamond, a Heart, and a Spade from the felt and fix one to the top of each box with a little secotine.

To get them an accurate shape first make a tracing of each from playing cards and use them as paper patterns.

The ends of the boxes and the sandpaper sides can be coated with gold point to heighten the illusion of a miniature pack of cards.

IDEAL WINTER SUIT

The woolen dress and matching jacket, lavishly trimmed with fur, is the ideal type of winter suit. One handsome outfit of this type includes a green wool dress with softly draped neckline and a jacket with shawl collar, deep cuffs and patch pockets of beaver. An ensemble with cape consists of a raspberry woolen dress and mole cape, lined with the raspberry woolen.

FOR STRAITS AND INDIA

Philoctetes Mar. 4

Africa Maru Mar. 5

Rawalpindi Mar. 6

Kutsang Mar. 7

FOR MANILA

Tanda Mar. 5

Pres. Pierce Mar. 6

Gen. Pershing Mar. 6

Pres. Jefferson Mar. 7

Emp. of Asia Mar. 12

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CARE OF THE SKIN

HOW TO WASH WOOLLENS

Strong alkalis dissolve and destroy both wool and silk materials, which accounts for wear and tear on wool and silk garments which have been treated in washing soda or washed with strongly alkaline soaps. When such garments need more than treatment in warm soapy water, diluted solutions of ammonia or borax should be used. Very hot water must also be avoided, as it turns both wool and silk yellow and shrinks wool excessively. Too much rubbing will also tend to shrink woollens and tear silk fibers.



Gross Yesterday

And For A Very Good Reason

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Baby's Own Tablets are easy to administer, because they taste nice, and, being in tablet form, accuracy of dosage is assured. The next time your baby is cross, sleepless, does not want his food, has coated tongue, bad breath, suffers from colic, constipation, teething troubles, give him Baby's Own Tablets and see what a difference they will make.

Baby's Own Tablets.

What Every Woman Should Know

Most women don't mind a few grey hairs or a wrinkle or two—these come inevitably with the years, and to many faces they add an unexpected charm—but every woman hates a coarse skin, writes a correspondent. A coarse skin is not inevitable; always it indicates neglect either in the treatment of the skin itself or in general hygiene. Coarse pores are not the curse of any special age. Many young skins are unbelievably coarsened at twenty. But the average woman does not notice any special change in the fine texture of her skin until she reaches thirty. Then, standing in a sunny window with a mirror in her hand, she becomes aware of the sieve-like appearance we call "coarse pores."

Now, I think it is too bad that the thirties, which ought to be the sweetest years in a woman's life, should be spoiled by a mere external flaw like poor skin texture—especially when this is not necessary. A little foresight and care will keep young skins fresh and fine, and those of us on the sober side of thirty who have slipped into happy-go-lucky ways that have left unlovely traces on our complexions can still do something to bring back the silky fineness we all desire.

There are three main causes for a coarse skin: health disorders, improper cleansing, and exposure to harsh weather. Whether you wish to prevent or to improve a coarsening texture, these are the three things to avoid.

General Health. Constipation, digestive troubles, under-nourishment, and nervousness resulting from excessive worry or fatigue are common health difficulties which immediately associates with a coarse skin. If your complexion is beginning to look oily and coarse and you suspect one of these conditions as the underlying cause, go to a physician for diagnosis and treatment. Don't try to treat yourself; you may do the very thing that will aggravate the trouble. When, under expert direction, you give the body the food it craves, wake up a lazy circulation, and correct sluggish eli-

NEW MILLINERY FASHION

A new millinery fashion in Paris is a small cap worn straight on the head, with a bright bird or feather ornament set flat on the forehead and rising above it. Lady Derwent appeared at a cocktail party recently in London wearing one of these new caps in black. A brilliant blue bird with outstretched wings was poised on her forehead.

HEMP NET FOR VEILS

Hemp net is the main novelty of the season's millinery collection. It is used in short veils around the hat, like a mesh, keeping the back of the hair and the tiny crown in place. Long veils tying under the chin in evening hats use hemp. In contrasting colours hemp net covers the crowns of new wired brim sailors.



mation, you will probably discover that the world isn't half bad, and the worry and weariness which were helping to ruin your complexion will give place to poise and peace of mind. A physical and mental change for the better will most certainly show in a fresher, more delicate skin.

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION

PERTH HATE
DIN ROPE OAT
LOG RETIRE TIE
OR EOS POLE PA
S CROSS DEAN R
THIRD AN CROWN
JAINS ENACT RIES
ORD STEPS EMB
SPELL RE GRATE
L REEF SPOTLY V
EIS DEEP ROE ME
RAM PIRATED BIAN
GAS ALES BIN
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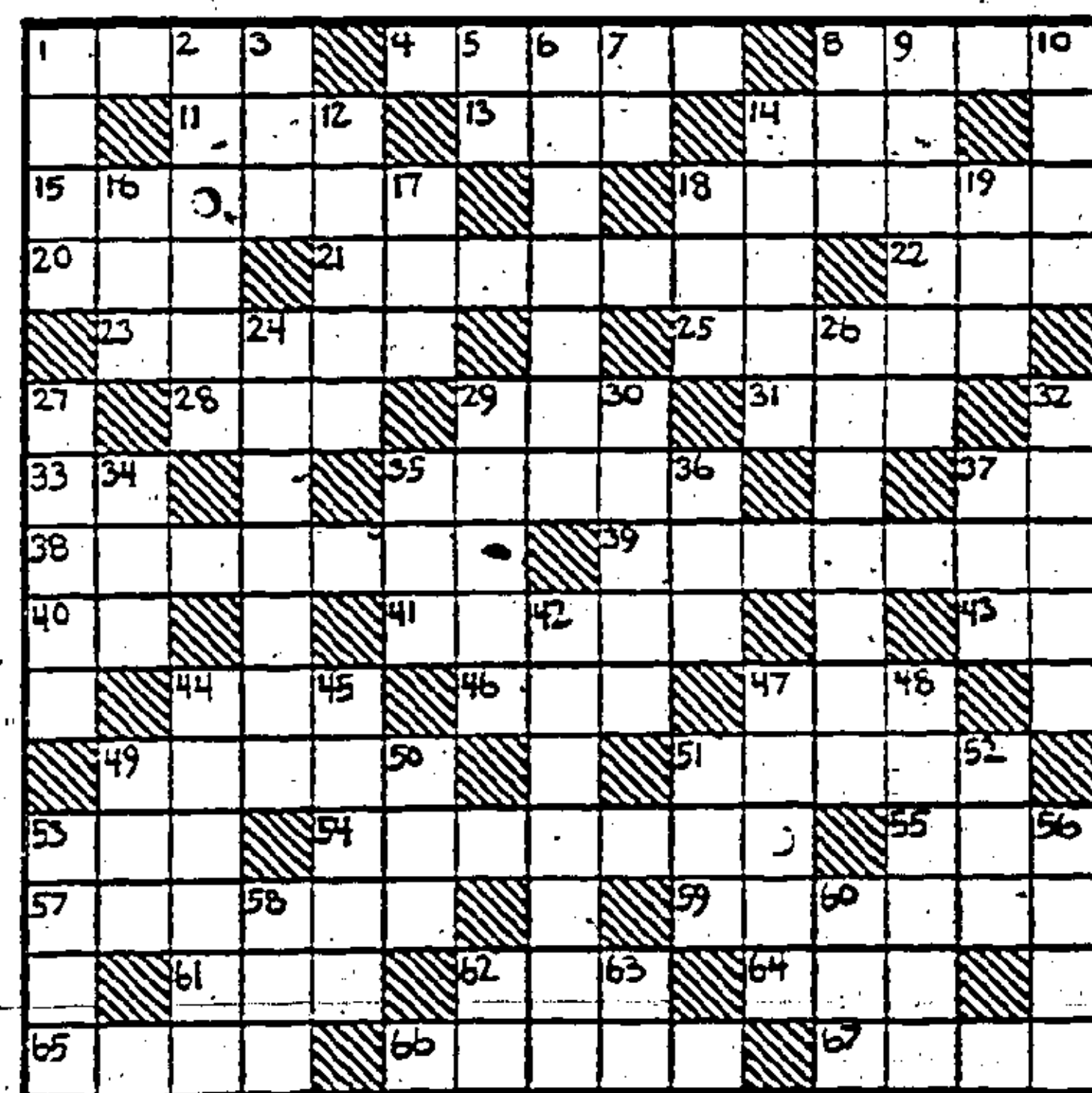
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DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE

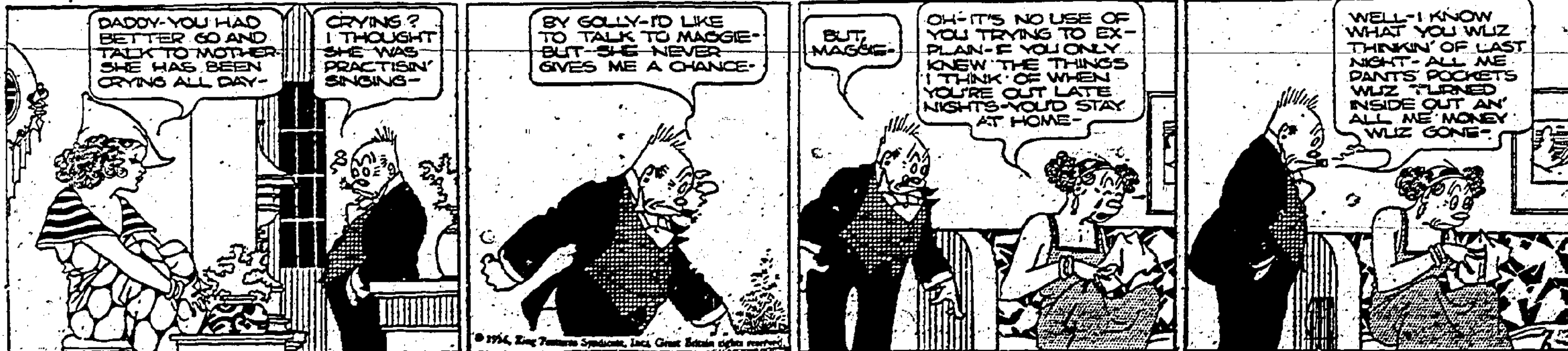
This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spelling, such as harbor, plow, and altho.



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| HORIZONTAL | HORIZONTAL (Cont.) | VERTICAL (Cont.) |
| 1-Ferocious | 51-Woman who has lost her husband by death | 17-Treasurers (abbr.) |
| 4-Packs | 53-Superlative suffix | 18-Pronoun |
| 8-A continent | 54-Provided | 19-And not |
| 11-So | 55-Series | 20-Try |
| 13-Before | 57-Covered with reeds | 21-Leaped with the aid of a pole |
| 14-Writing fluid | 59-More compact | 22-Foundations |
| 15-Announce | 61-Perch | 23-Wed |
| 18-Mean | 62-Girl's name | 24-Birthplace of Apollo |
| 20-Digit | 64-Fish eggs | 25-Fabulously rich man |
| 21-Checks | 65-Satire | 26-Define article |
| 22-Sorrow | 66-Wrath | 27-A beverage |
| 23-Narrow strips of wood | 67-A weight measure | 28-Looked |
| 25-Cut | | 29-Answered (abbr.) |
| 26-Saints (abbr.) | | 30-Recalling |
| 28-Inane | | 31-Affirm |
| 31-Sailor | | 32-Doctrine |
| 32-Near by | | 33-Broaden |
| 33-Stories | | 34-Pitcher |
| 37-Three-toed sloth | | 35-English street car |
| 39-Finer | | 36-Expire |
| 39-Region in N. Europe | | 37-Bow the head |
| 40-Electrical Engineer (abbr.) | | 38-Indefinite article |
| 41-Slender shaft with a pointed head | | 39-A compass point (abbr.) |
| 43-A continent (abbr.) | | |
| 44-Skillful | | |
| 45-Affirmative reply | | |
| 47-Full of moisture | | |
| 49-Speak | | |

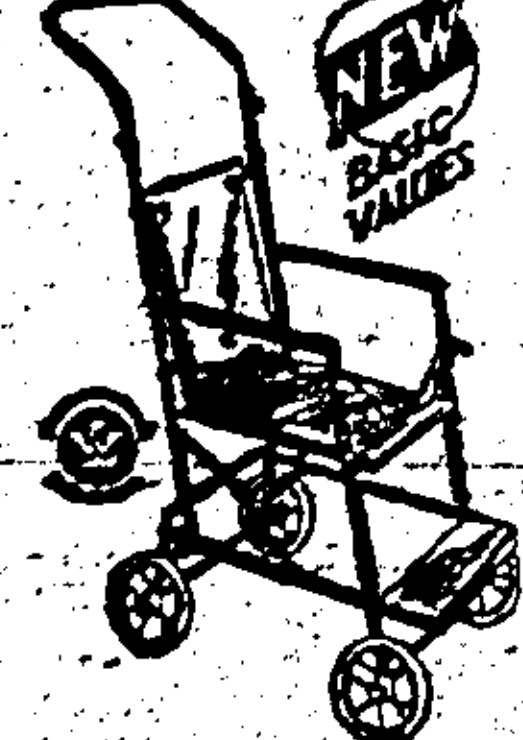
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By Order,
C. B. BROWN,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 2nd March, 1936.

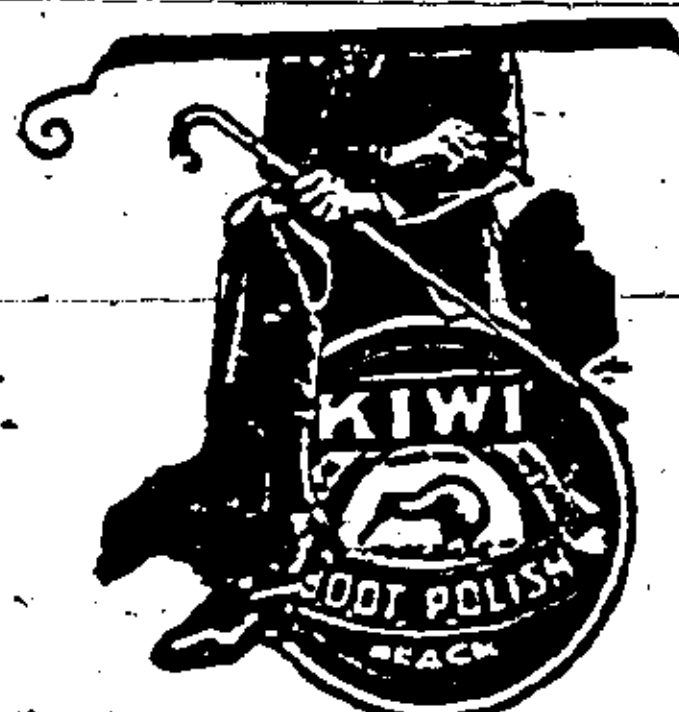
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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

THE FORTY-NINTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., on THURSDAY, the 5th March, 1936, AT NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1935. The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from FRIDAY, the 21st February 1936, to THURSDAY, the 5th March, 1936, both days inclusive. By Order of the Board of Directors.

F. H. CRAPNELL,
Secretary.

Hong Kong 12th February, 1936.

THE HONG KONG ELECTRIC CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FORTY-SEVENTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING will be held at the Company's Offices, P. and O. Building, on WEDNESDAY, 11th March, 1936, at 11 a.m. for the purpose of presenting the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December 1935 and electing Directors and Auditors.

The Register of Members of the Company will be closed from 29th February to 11th March 1936, both days inclusive, during which period no Transfer of Shares can be registered. And notice is hereby also given that an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company will be held at the same place immediately after the termination of the above mentioned Ordinary General Meeting for the purpose of considering and, if thought fit, passing the following resolutions, namely:—

(1) That it is desirable to capitalize the sum of \$1,500,000, being part of the undivided profits of the Company, standing to the credit of the Reserve Fund, and accordingly that a bonus of \$1,500,000 be declared and that such bonus be applied on behalf of the persons who on the 29th day of February 1936 are the registered holders of the 450,000 issued shares of the Company in payment in full for 150,000 shares of the Company of \$10 each and that such 150,000 shares credited as such persons respectively in the proportion of one of such shares for every three of the said 450,000 shares then held by such persons respectively and that such shares shall rank for dividend as from the 1st day of January 1936.

(2) That if, on such distribution as aforesaid, any person would be entitled to a fraction of a share, the Directors shall, in lieu of issuing fractional certificates, cause the whole share to be allotted to a person or persons to be named by the Directors and such share shall at such time as the Directors think fit, be sold and the net proceeds distributed amongst the persons entitled to such fractions making up the share.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

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Amusements

Cinema Notes

"FRECKLES"—KING'S THEATRE

Life in the lumber country of Indiana has been glamorously translated to the screen with all its outdoor freshness and beauty in a picturization of Gene Stratton-Porter's famous novel, "Freckles."

Tom Brown plays the role of "Freckles," an appealing story of an orphan boy whose gentle character and steel-edged courage gained him the love of a girl, the admiration of a youngster and the friendship of the townsfolk whom he aids in the capture of a band of lumber bandits.

Carol Stone, daughter of the noted stage star, makes her debut in "Freckles" as Brown's romantic lead, and Virginia Weidler, the clever little girl who recently appeared in "Laddie," has a characteristic role.

One of the most picturesque sections of the country of California was used as a background for "Freckles." Rushing streams, giant forests and beautiful scenery are seen throughout the picture.

"ONE EXCITING ADVENTURE"—QUEEN'S THEATRE

This Universal picture stars Neil Hamilton, Paul Cavanagh, Binnie Barnes in the lead roles. The last named portrays the role of the most sensational and unusual adventures to be depicted by the cinema.

The story is that of a fascinating woman who cannot look at a diamond without wanting it. Men mean nothing to her until she meets Neil Hamilton. She also becomes involved with Paul Cavanagh, who plays the part of an accomplished crook. The adventures of these three provide the basis of one of the most interesting yarns that has been on the screen for some time.

Included in the cast are Eugene Paulette, Grant Mitchell, Doris Lloyd and Edna Searle.

"KIND LADY"—ALHAMBRA THEATRE

Bringing Aline MacMahon from her triumph in "Ah Wilderness!" and Basil Rathbone from his successes in "Anna Karenina" and "David Copperfield" together, Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer presents them in this gripping, fascinating detective story written by England's famed novelist, Hugh Walpole.

Dealing with a suave but sinister crook, who through clever engineering insinuates himself into the good graces of a woman who sought to befriend him, it runs the gamut of suspense, drama, mystery and terror, before a young American, aiding Scotland Yard, wrecks the plan of the interloper for a "Perfect Crime."

Among others in the cast are Doris Lloyd, Dudley Digges, Murray Kinnell, Nola Luxford, Frank Reicher, Eilly Malyon and other screen players, and Justine Chase and Barbara Shields, in the roles they played on the New York stage.

"BLOSSOM TIME"—STAR THEATRE

The immortal music of the great composer Franz Schubert, the glorious singing of the world's greatest tenor, Richard Tauber, and a tender love story of old Vienna are combined in this sensationally acclaimed B.L.P. musical production.

That noted director, Paul Stein, and his film unit actually travelled to Vienna to make exterior scenes for the picture, and covered many of the favourite old haunts of Schubert, which have changed but very little since the days of the great composer.

A galaxy of British notables in support of Tauber in the musical, chief among whom are lovely Jane Baxter and Carl Esmond, who furnish the story's romantic interest. The Athens-Seyler, Paul Graetz, Edna Shaw, and the ward Chapman, Gibb McLaughlin and scores of others as well.

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HAY HOLDS UP TRAFFIC

A dozen bales of hay fell last month from a lorry in White-chapel High-street, and completely blocked the road for a time.

BRIDGE NOTES

Gambling For Notrump

By Ely Culbertson

Because only nine tricks are required for game in notrump, a good bidding partnership employs many kinds of tactics to steer a final game contract into notrump rather than a minor suit which requires eleven tricks. At times a slight gamble is required, but in the long run it is usually well worth while.

North, Dealer

North and South vulnerable

S. A. J. 10 9

H. Q. 7

D. A. Q. J

C. K. 10 5 4

S. K. 7 6 3

H. A. K. 8 4 2

D. 10 9 5

C. 7

S. Q. 5

H. J. 10 6

D. K. 4 2

C. A. 9 8 5 3

The bidding:

North East South West

1 S Pass 2 C 2 H

3 C Pass 3 NT Pass

Pass Pass

It will be noticed that although notrump as a final contract is preferable to a minor suit, North does not make an opening bid of one notrump. Except with 4 3 3 3 distribution, a major suit contract is preferable to notrump and the opening bid should, if possible, be in a suit in order to explore all the possibilities of the major suits before finally deciding on notrump. North was therefore quite proper in bidding one spade as his opening bid.

South's two-club bid also followed the Approach principle. West then overcalled in hearts, his principal purpose being to discourage a contract of three notrump in case North and South did not have the tops in hearts and to direct a lead from East if North should become the eventual declarer.

The bid nearly had the desired effect. North could not immediately bid notrump, not having a heart stopper, and was forced to the underbid of three clubs; for though North's hand justified another raise, he did not wish to get beyond the three-level at which point a notrump game was still open.

This put it clearly up to South to gamble and South was equal to the occasion. His strength was distributed in all four suits and any heart honour in North's hand would stop that suit and give South the lead. If South could once get the lead he hoped to run enough tricks to make game.

West opened the four of hearts and although clubs did not break, South was able, after winning the first trick, to develop nine tricks by finessing for the King of spades.



TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME

The following programme will be broadcast to-day from the Hong Kong Broadcasting Station Z.B.W. on a wavelength of 355 metres. (845 K.C.'s).

Daventry—Talk by Chief Engineer of the B.B.C.

"The English Lyrics"

12.30-2.15 p.m.—European Recorded Programme.

1 p.m.—Local Time and Weather Report.

1.30 p.m.—Reuter Press Bulletins, Rugby Press News, etc.

2.15 p.m.—Close Down.

4.7 p.m.—Chinese Programme.

6-6.30 p.m.—Children's Studio Concert.

7-11 p.m.—European Programme.

7-7.30 p.m.—The B.B.C. Wireless Military Band.

The Flamborough Sound Dance-Folk Dance (arr. Cecil Sharp).

Kirby (arr. Cecil Sharp).

Dance (arr. Cecil Sharp).

Woodland Pictures—Bural Suite (Fletcher).

Mirella—Overture (Gounod, arr. O'Donnell).

Lynwood—March (Hummel).

Practical Flower—March (Hummel).

7.30-8 p.m.—Instrumental Variety.

8-8.30 p.m.—Lep. Billie.

Novelty Piano-Duet.

Series Up the Band.

Joan Warner and Clement Doucet.

Hawaiian Paradise.

Andy Lons and his Islanders.

Organ Solo.

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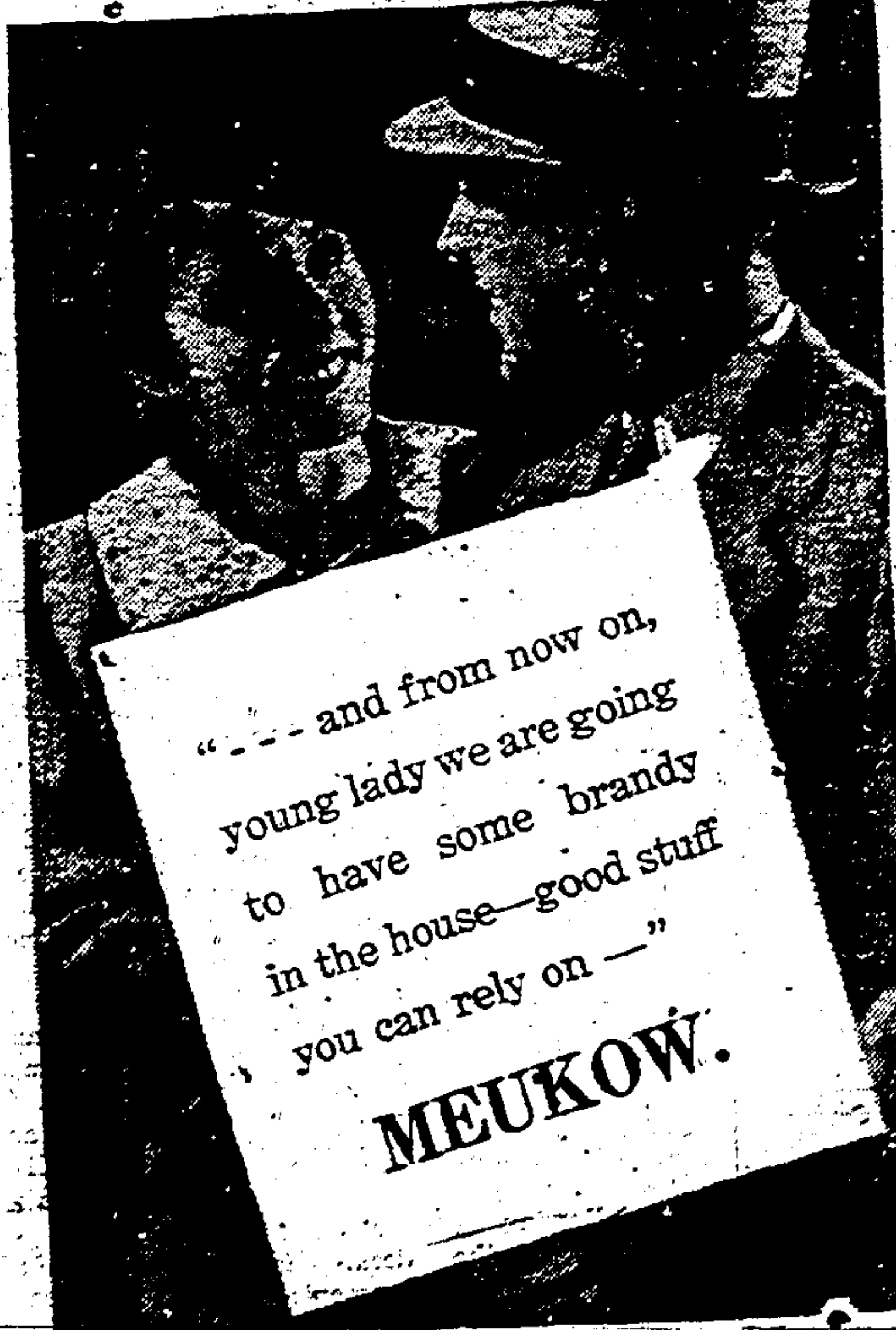
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Sporting Page

SUNDERLAND GOALKEEPER DIES AFTER MATCH WITH CHELSEA



Helen Stephens of Fulton, Mo., holds many sprint records and a victory over Stella Walsh to her credit. She is now getting points in fencing at the University of Missouri to compete for a place on the American Olympic fencing team as well as the track squad.

ALL-COMERS CHAMPIONS IN COLONY

GENE SMITH AND SABIN ARRIVE

FIRST AMERICANS TO WIN P. I. TENNIS TITLES

The first American to win the Philippine Island All-Comers Lawn Tennis Singles Championship, Gene Smith, accompanied by his doubles partner, W. Sabin, arrived in the Colony this morning from Manila by the R.M.S. Empress of Canada.

Smith and Sabin were also the first successful American pair to win the All-Comers' Doubles title, which produced one of the most thrilling struggles ever witnessed in Manila.

Commenting on the standard of tennis in the Philippine Islands, Gene Smith said it was not very high, although there was one player who would be ranked among first class internationals—L. Gavia, whom he met in the final of the Singles.

Endurance Game

The Filipinos were entirely at home in the tourney as they were better able to withstand the terrific heat and humidity, which very nearly "roasted" all the visiting players. They played an endurance game and in such manner were down their opponents. This happened to be the fate of Kho Sin-kie and Sabin, who were both eliminated after having secured two sets' lead.

Kho's case was rather unusual. He had only recently arrived and met a good player named Royales in the Third Round. He had, however, still retained his "sea-legs" and developed a serious attack of cramp which ultimately resulted in his total collapse, necessitating his removal on a stretcher!

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IRELAND'S SOCCER TEAM

London, To-day.—The following will represent Ireland against Wales in the soccer international at Belfast next Wednesday.—Scott (Belfast Celtic); Cook (Everton) and Fulton (Belfast Celtic); Gowdy (Hibernian); Jones (Hibernian) and Browne (Leeds); Kenaghan (Belfast Celtic); Stevenson (Everton); Bambrick (Chelsea); Doherty (Manchester City) and Kelly (Derry City).—Reuter.

TOO MANY FIXTURES

The Roehampton Club have announced the cancellation of their £200 invitation professional tournament, which has been held for the past 16 years during the first week in April, owing to the crowded state of the fixture list.

HOCKEY ASSOC. HAVE JUBILEE BANQUET

GERMANY V. ENGLAND ON MARCH 28

THRILLING STRUGGLE EXPECTED

(By "Leighton")

London, January 26.

THE jubilee banquet of the Hockey Association was a memorable function in the annals of the game and marked the arrival of the first fifty years of controlled hockey, although, of course, a game of hockey had been played in Asia for some thousands of years, as proved by the official history.

It was attended by many distinguished personalities, past and present, who had contributed their own quota, both in administration and skill as players, to the great progress of the game. E. O. Pope, one of the founders in 1886, was there while another old-time administrator and player was R. Slade Lucas, who was the first cricketer to take an M.C.C. team to the West Indies. Then M. Merton Barker, a great half-back in the late 'eighties, was also a guest.

There were also present representatives of foreign hockey associations—France, Belgium, Holland, and the Argentine. Towards the end of the banquet special souvenirs were presented to H. J. Greening, the H.A. chairman, from France, Belgium, and Holland, as a token of the high esteem and respect in which these Continental associations held the governing body, and to whom they owed so much.

These presentations proved to be a most interesting and charming interlude in what was a wonderful jubilee banquet at Grosvenor House, Park Lane, London.

England-Germany Game

The greatest of our home international seasons will be that between England and Germany at Edgbaston on March 28.

Germany is now the foremost hockey country on the Continent, and has proved to be the equal of England in playing strength and technique. Some four years ago at Hamburg the first official international was played between the two countries, and, after a most thrilling and exciting encounter the match was drawn 1-1.

The result clearly demonstrated that German international hockey had reached a standard comparable with our own, that the pupil was now well worthy of the master. The first English team to visit Germany was the Old Rosallians in 1905, and since those days the Germans have improved and perfected their skill until there is little more to teach them.

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EAST LANC'S HOCKEY TEAM TO MEET COLONY SIDE

The following will represent the East Lancs. against the Inter-Port hockey team in a practice match on the U.S.R.C. ground tomorrow at 5 p.m.:—

Dr. Southam; Cpl. Kennedy and Bds. Cox; L/Cpl. Murphy, Lt. J. P. Williams and Pte. Moore; Lt. E. Robinson, Pte. Johnson, Bds. Botting, Sgt. Owen and L/Cpl. Snelson.

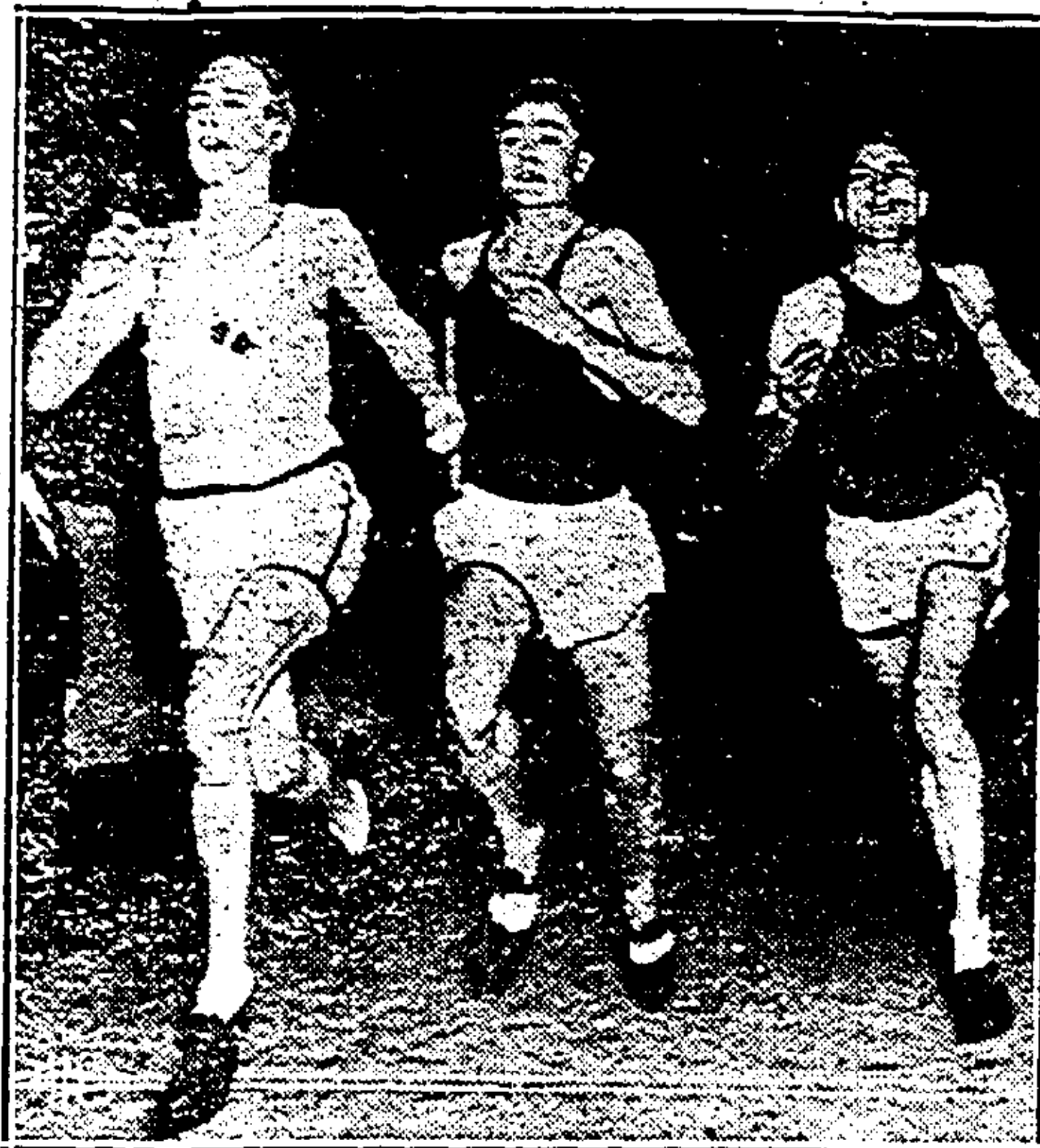
Lt. E. M. Dawson and Pte. Nolan are unavailable, being included in the 15 selected Colony players.

ENGLAND'S HOCKEY TEAM

The following will represent England in the local international hockey tournament:—A. B. Owen; J. E. Potter (Club) and Bds. Cox (Army); Lt. J. P. Williams (Army); W. A. Reed (Club) and J. Farmer (Y.M.C.A.); Ger. Divett (Club); Lt. E. C. Garthwaite (Army); Lt. E. M. Dawson (Army); Lt. Burch (R.N.) and D. Carey (Club).

HUNTER'S NEW TITLE

Willie Hunter, British amateur golf champion of 1921 and now a professional in California, won the American national match play golf championship at San Francisco, beating Willie Goggin, San Francisco, by 4 and 2.



Hardly a foot separated three famous milers at the finish as Joe Mangan (left), former Cornell University star, amazed spectators at the New York Millrose Games by breasting the tape in 4:11 for the Wanamaker Mile, beating both Gene Venzke (centre) of Pennsylvania and Glenn Cunningham (right) of Kansas, who ran third.

TRACK STAR BOOED

HARVEY FOR MADEIRA AFTER OPERATION

"Removal Of Septic Tonsils Then Petersen Or Neusel"

London, February 5. Len Harvey entered a Windsor nursing home to-day for an operation for the removal of septic tonsils.

"When I have had the operation," Harvey said, "I will probably convalesce at Madeira. Naturally it will be some weeks before I am able to resume boxing training, but when my health is better I intend to return to the ring and seek matches with Petersen or Neusel for preference."

RECREIO "B" WIN

LADIES' DOUBLES BADMINTON

In the second round of the Ladies' Doubles Badminton League last night, the Fire Brigade Recreation Club were beaten by 5 games to 4 by Recreio "B" at the Central Police Station.

Detailed results of the game were as follows:—

Miss C. Xavier and Miss M. Ribeiro (Recreio "B") lost to Mrs. Kirkwood and Mrs. W. L. Shute 13-21.
Miss Weir and Miss M. Ribeiro (Recreio "B") beat Mrs. W. Stoker and Miss Moss 21-9.
Mrs. Xavier and Miss A. Osmond (Recreio "B") lost to Kirkwood and Wild 17-21.
Beat Shute and Weir 21-10.
Beat Stoker and Moss 21-6.
Miss Botelho and Miss Ribeiro (Recreio "B") lost to Kirkwood and Wild 17-21.
Lost to Shute and Weir 15-21.
Beat Stoker and Moss 21-1.
Elliott Hall "A" have received walk-overs from the V.R.C. and Recreio "B," and have been given the points in the Men's Doubles Badminton League.

"NOT STRONG ENOUGH"

Erich Selle, the German heavy-weight boxer, is not to meet Obie Walker, the American coloured boxer, the German Boxing Federation having decided that Selle is not "strong enough."

U.S. Amateur Boxers Receive Invitation To England

London, February 24. American amateur boxers have been invited to visit England this year for a return "Golden Gloves" contest against Great Britain, and a date in the first week of May has been suggested for the event. An official of the Amateur Boxing Association stated that proposed plans for the tournament had been sent to the American authorities. "When we received a reply we can go ahead with the arrangements," he added. The British team won the "Golden Gloves" in America last year by eight wins to three, and this will be a return match.

REFEREE CENSURED BY CORONER

"DISGRACE TO FIRST CLASS FOOTBALL"

SERIOUS ALLEGATIONS MADE

(By "Leighton")

London, February 14.

STRICTURES on the conduct of the Sunderland vs. Chelsea match on February 1, which may have far-reaching repercussions, were made by the Sunderland coroner, Mr. J. C. Morton, yesterday at the inquest on James Thorpe, Sunderland's 22-year-old goalkeeper. Thorpe was injured in the second half of the match, but continued to play. After the game he collapsed, and he died in hospital on February 5.

Mr. Morton said that one witness had described the game as a disgrace to first-class football. "From what I have heard, I quite agree with him." "If the referee had been where he should have been, watching the game, the continued ill-treatment to which the goalkeeper was subjected would not have been continued as long as it was—if the referee had done his duty."

"We find players in first-class football who resort to methods that are far from what is desired, and they do not really help their clubs, or themselves, or the game. If the referee had been where he should have been, watching the game, the continued ill-treatment to which the goalkeeper was subjected would not have been continued as long as it was—if the referee had done his duty."

"But he seems, from all accounts, to have lost his grip of the game, and not have been able to hold the players in check."

Serious allegations of rough play against Chelsea players were made during the hearing of the evidence.

Thorpe's father, the first witness, said that his son had been taking insulin for sugar diabetes. He had an injection on the day of the match.

After the game his son told him he had been kicked on the head three times in the side.

P.C. Henry Colyer who was on duty at the match, standing behind the goal, said the game was very rough, and he did not think the referee had proper control.

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COLONY TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIPS

PROGRAMME FOR NEXT WEEK

DOUBLES ON TUESDAY

The Colony Lawn Tennis Championships, under the auspices of the Hong Kong Cricket Club, commence on Monday next with nine matches in the Open Singles, the feature game of which will be that between Lai Kwong-tsun and Y. Hachiuma.

The following is Monday's and Tuesday's programmes:—

MONDAY

Open Singles — 1st Round
Wing Comdr. A. G. Bishop v. Luk Chun-cheong.
H. D. Rumjahn v. W. J. Howard.
Surg-Lieut. W. A. S. Grant v. In Tak-cheuk.
S. Ling v. M. W. Lo.
F. H. Kwok v. K. Shute.
C. H. Ung v. Y. C. Lau.
N. A. E. Mackay v. K. T. Kwik.
T. A. Pearce v. T. C. Monaghan.
Lai Kwong-tsun v. Y. Hachiuma.

TUESDAY

Open Singles — 1st Round
A. Warr v. H. Y. Ho.
Tsui Wai-pui v. I. M. A. Razack.
Firdos Khan v. S. W. Liang.
Leung Ping-chui v. James Hsu.
P. Soones v. W. Shute.
Paul Kong v. C. C. Burnett.
Wei Chung-tung v. R. Blyth.
A. L. Sullivan v. J. W. Leonard.
Open Doubles — 1st Round
T. A. Pearce and L. Goldman v. A. G. Bishop and Capt. Walsh.

WILL NOT RESIGN

Benny Lynch, of Glasgow the world fly-weight boxing champion, son, his former jockey. There is has decided not to resign his Scottish championship at the weight.

FIVE CLASHES TO-DAY IN CLUB RUGBY SEVENS

AIR FORCE TEAM VERY STRONG?

EXCITING PROGRAMME ANTICIPATED

Some exciting sport will probably be witnessed on the Club ground this afternoon, when the five remaining First Round matches in the Blarney Stone Seven-A-Side Rugby tournament under the auspices of the Hong Kong Football Club Rugby Section, in aid of charity will take place commencing at 4.30 p.m.

The feature of to-day's ties is the appearance of an Air Force team, which will probably be drawn from H.M.S. Hermes, which possesses a fairly useful Rugby fifteen, judging from the glowing reports received from the Straits.

The H. K. Bank, who have held the Blarney Stone title, will meet the Royal Air Force and a good game should result, while the Club "A" team, who encounter the East Lancashire Regiment, should secure entry into the next Round. The Bank, Club, Fusilier "A" and Air Force teams are favoured to reach the semi-final round.

To-day's Games

The following are to-day's matches, giving the starting times.
4.30 p.m.—Rifles v. Cornwall.
4.45 p.m.—Dorsetshire v. 4th Sub.
5 p.m.—Club "A" v. East Lancs.
5.15 p.m.—H. K. Bank v. R.A.F.
5.30 p.m.—B. and S. v. R.W.F. "C."

NEW JOCKEY FOR GOLDEN MILLER

Evan Williams Given Big Chance

London, To-day. Considerably worried over Golden Miller's refusal to run at Newbury, Miss Dorothy Paget, owner of the 1934 Grand National winner, has decided to send out the horse in the Cheltenham Gold Cup under Evan Williams, a new jockey who may have the ride on the favourite in the Grand National if he makes good at Cheltenham.

It is thought that Golden Miller, as is the custom of some horses, has taken a dislike to Jerry Wilson's riding ability.—Reuter.

K.C.C. TENNIS TOURNAMENT

We have been informed that the closing date for entries for the Kowloon Cricket Club annual tennis tournament has been extended till Monday, the 9th. inst. It was originally announced that entries would close to-day.

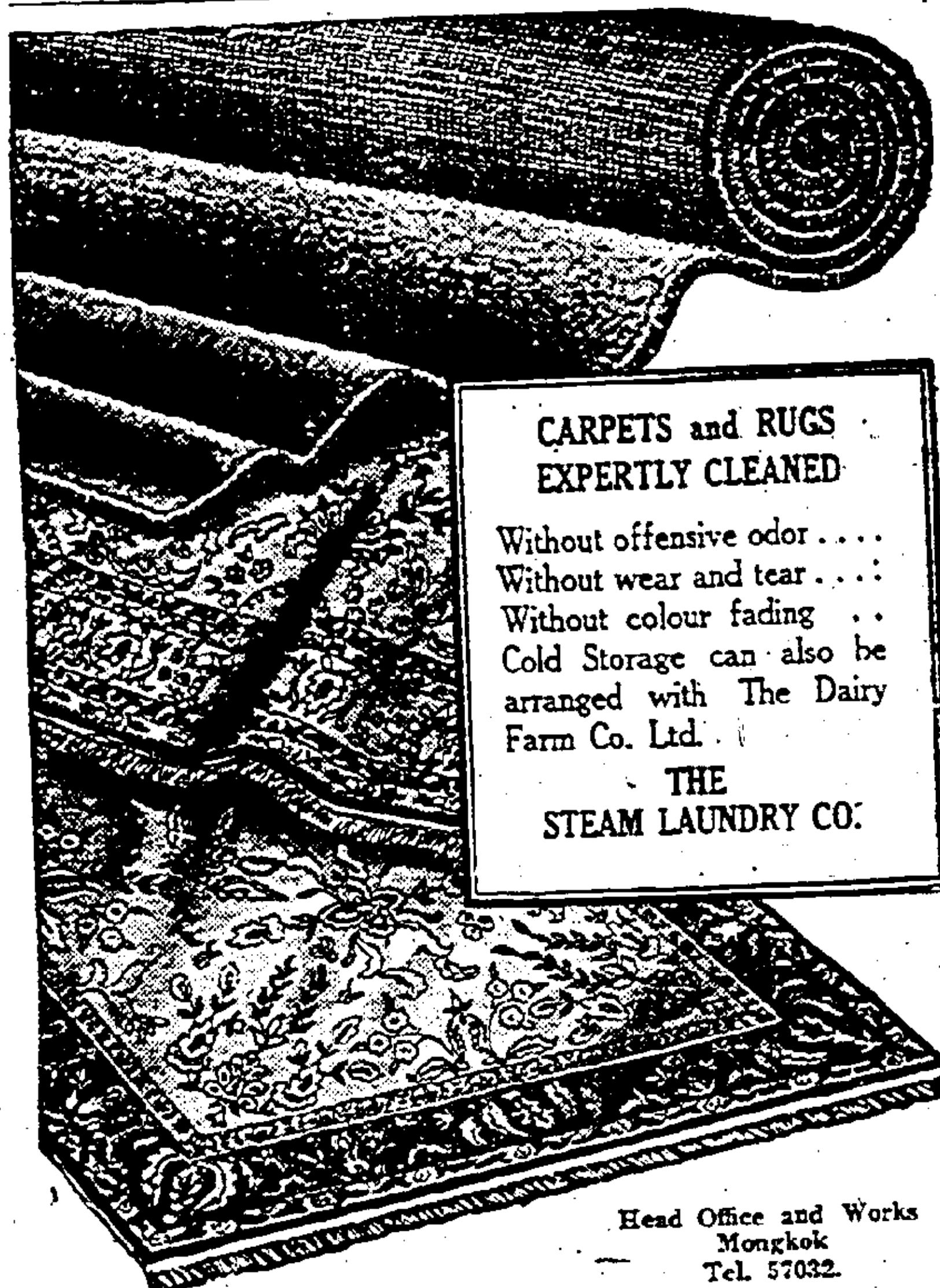
NOVELTY RECORDS

BC 10001.—Everything in Rhythm The Little Silk Worm.....	Jessie Matthews Jessie Matthews
BC 10012.—Isn't This A Lovely Day No Springs.....	Ginger Rogers Ginger Rogers
BC 10025.—Leave Me With A Love Song Red Sails In The Sunset.....	Street Singer Street Singer
8589.—Piano Medley No. 8.....	Charlie Kunz Charlie Kunz
8468.—Sandy's Broadcasting Station.....	Scandy Powell Scandy Powell
BC 10011.—Whos Josephine There's No One With Endurance.....	Frank Crumit Frank Crumit
BC 10008.—Conversation For Two Star Gazing.....	Elsie Carlisle Elsie Carlisle
C 192.—Shine On Harvest Moon Ten Cents A Dance.....	Ruth Etting Ruth Etting

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Describing a goalmouth incident, Colyer said that Thorpe dropped on the ball, gathered it in his arms, and drew it towards his knees and body.

Badly Shaken

"Four Chelsea players, following the ball up, commenced to kick repeatedly at Thorpe in an endeavour to get the ball."

The referee was well up the field at the time. When the game was stopped, Thorpe was badly shaken, and the crowd became rather threatening.

Thorpe had held the ball in such a position that kicking at the ball and at the player was one and the same thing, added the witness.

P. S. Scott said that the game was very rough in the second half, and, in his opinion, the referee was very slack.

The centre forward and inside left of the Chelsea team were endeavouring to kick the ball out of Thorpe's hands.

He momentarily lost his grip of the ball and dropped on both knees. His head came forward, and one of the Chelsea players, he could not say who, kicked him on top of the head. Witness would not say it was deliberate.

Excited Crowd

The kick on the head was received by Thorpe moving his head forward at the same time as one of the Chelsea forwards was kicking at the ball.

Another policeman, stationed near the corner flag, said that he saw Chelsea players kick Thorpe on the side of the head and in the left side.

The crowd was shouting and booing, and witness had to turn away to prevent any spectators climbing over the barriers.

He could not say that the kicks were deliberate, but the play was very rough and a disgrace to first-class football.

William Murray, Sunderland's right back, said that when Thorpe saved the circumstances compelled him to drop on the ball, drawing it towards his body for safety.

"Several Chelsea forwards made an attempt to get the ball, which was then covered by his body and arms. One or two of our defenders, including myself, tried to keep them away from the goalkeeper with legitimate shoulder charges."

A Free Kick

"During the scrimmage which followed, it was difficult to say what really happened. The referee must have seen a foul committed upon the goalkeeper, because he blew his whistle, stopping play, and awarded us a free-kick."

Addressing the jury, the Coroner said: "The whole question is whether or not something accelerated that diabetic condition in such a manner as to cause him to die when he did."

He asked the jury not to pass a vote of censure on the referee, because he was not there to answer for himself.

Jury's Verdict

The jury found that Thorpe died from diabetes, and that death was accelerated by the rough usage he received in the game.

"We are of opinion," they added, "that the referee was very lax in his control of the game, and as a rider we wish to add that we urge the Board of Management of the Football Association to instruct all referees that they must exercise stricter control over the players, so as to eliminate as far as possible any future accidents."

The Coroner said he agreed.

SOCCER REFEREE
AND KICKSThey Take More Than
They Witness

London, January 20. The referee receives more kicks than he pence, so it is pleasant to record an occasion when directors of both clubs concerned in a game have enthusiastically congratulated the presiding official.

"I wish," said a Birmingham director to Captain G. Hamilton Jones, after the match in which the director had seen Manchester City beat his club at St. Andrews, "that you had been in charge of our game against—well, I nearly got in another kick."

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It was the King's ambition that Schroeder should vindicate his talent at the Royal Club of Stockholm before his own countrymen, and it was King Gustav, I learn, who invited Jean Borotra to head the French team in the recent Swedish championship.

A Good General

Schroeder owed his victory over Borotra partly to his strong physique, which allows him to conduct a volleying campaign at high pressure, but he also revealed unsuspected qualities of generalship.

He did not allow himself to be "rattled" when the French champion, two sets down, made a characteristic recovery and nearly squared the match in the fourth set.

All Swedes are better indoors than in the wind-laden "open," but Schroeder may discover, like most of the French giants, that the good turf court is an even finer plane for the genuine stroke-maker than a good floor.

GREATEST SPORTS
COUNTRYFinland's 250,000
AthletesWELL TRAINED FOR
OLYMPIC GAMES

Is Finland the greatest sports country in the world? A census of the sports clubs, and their members, was recently taken, and it was found that out of a total population of 3,720,000 over 225,000 are actively engaged in competitive sport.

The games taken into consideration were athletics, wrestling, cycling, boxing, gymnastics, skiing, football and pesapallo, the latter of which is closely allied to baseball.

In addition there are numerous lawn tennis, swimming, sailing and canoeing organisations, whose members are said to be too large to count.

The 225,000 people concerned in the census are attached to 3,230 clubs.

It is scarcely necessary to mention that Finland is expected to do well in this year's Olympic Games.

McGRATH REPORTS
FOR DUTY.Available For Davis
Cup Series

Sydney, February 3.

V. B. McGrath announced to-day that he would definitely be available to play for Australia in this year's Davis Cup contest if required.

He has not had good health recently, but his doctor has told him he will be quite fit for a tour if he has two months' rest.

The Australian Lawn Tennis Council will meet shortly to announce the Davis Cup team. It is believed that those chosen are J. H. Crawford, A. Quist and V. B. McGrath.



In search for baseball immortals whose names will adorn the plaque at Cooperstown, New York, where the game was originated by Abner Doubleday, these five were chosen from a questionnaire submitted to 225 sports writers to name the 10 best players. Ty Cobb drew most votes with the runners up as shown. "Immortality" called for mention by at least 75 per cent. of the writers.

CLAUDE DAVEY
TO RETIRE IN
NEAR FUTUREWork Has First
Claims

NO TIME FOR RUGGER

(By "LEIGHTON")

London, February 14.

Claude (E. C.) Davey, the Welsh Rugby captain, has decided to retire from the game at the end of the present season.

He has been appointed chief engineer to the Aylesbury Corporation, and intends to settle down there.

Davey has been an outstanding figure in Welsh Rugby in recent years, and his 19 caps in the course of five years testify to his value as a centre three-quarter who has few superiors in tackling as more than one of the All Blacks can testify—and kicking.

At Stand-Off Half

For Swansea, and, later, when business called him North to Salford, for Lancashire and Sale, Davey has also done splendid service, and not always as a centre, for he has also played with equal success at stand-off half and on the wing.

Since the war only three players have appeared more often than Davey for Wales. W. C. Powell has 27 caps to his credit, E. M. Jenkins, of Aberavon has 21, A. Skym, of Llanelly and Cardiff, 20, S. Morris, of Crosskeys, has 19. Davey drew level with him on Saturday and should be level with Skym by the end of the season.

GOALKEEPER
OFFERED
BRIBE\$50 In Letter From
Preston

London, February 12.

Mansfield Football Club's goalkeeper, Fawcett, was revealed to-day to have received an anonymous offer of \$50 provided Mansfield did not win its Third Division game with Walsall.

The letter arrived on Saturday morning and Fawcett immediately took it to the club's manager, Mr. Harold Wightman.

It will be forwarded to the Football Association. It bears a Preston postmark of Friday, is printed in ink and is ungrammatical and unpunctuated.

Mansfield drew its game with Walsall, and Fawcett gave a great display, making some outstanding saves.

UNITED STATES RYDER CUP
PLAYER DIES AT 39Pneumonia Claims Johnny Golden
After One Week's Illness

Darien (Connecticut),

February 5

Johnny Golden, a member of the United States Ryder Cup teams of 1927 and 1929, has died from pneumonia. He was taken ill in Florida and brought to hospital here, where he died after a week's illness.

Golden, whom Tommy Armour recently described as "the greatest golfer he knew from tee to green," was only 39.

ALL-COMERS
CHAMPIONS
IN COLONY

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"SEEDED" PLAYERS

L. Gavia, the defending singles champion, who had held the title for the past two years, was the No. 1 "seeded" player in the draw, while Dave Thompson, ranked sixth in Australia, was the second "seeded" player. Kho Sin-ke, V. T. (Jimmy) Wang, Gene Smith and W. Sabin were the other "seeded" players in that order, and were followed by the second Australian player, A. H. Hassett, who is the seventh ranking player in Australia.

"To give you an idea of what we had to contend with, one of our doubles matches lasted four hours," said Gene Smith. "We started at about 3 in the afternoon in broiling heat and continued the match under electric lighting up till shortly after seven o'clock."

"We had a very long and thrilling match in the Final Round of the Open Doubles when we defeated the Australian pair Thompson and Hassett, who, incidentally, played very good tennis, by 6-4, 6-4, 4-6, 13-15, 7-5."

Still At University

Gene Smith, who is leaving the Colony on Friday morning for America, is at present studying political science at the University of California and proposes to become a lecturer. He is very well-known in America and holds the Canadian National Singles championship, the British Columbia Singles title, the Oregon State title, the Pacific Coast Doubles title, with Donald Budge, America's second string Davis Cup player, and is at present ranked third in California.

W. Sabin is remaining in the Colony for a week, together with Kho Sin-ke, China's No. 1 ranking Davis Cup player, and there is every possibility, providing the weather clears up, that we may see them in action in an exhibition match. Both players will welcome any arrangements.

JACK LOVELOCK
SUFFERING FROM
KNEE TROUBLEWorld Record Hopes
VanishingREFUSES TO COMMENT
ON DISABILITY

London.

Jack Lovelock, the famous mile runner, is experiencing trouble with a knee from which he had a cartilage removed two years ago.

Since then he won "The Mile of the Century" against Glenn Cunningham, Bill Bonthron and other crack runners in America.

After that epic struggle, however, he met with little success, being twice beaten by S. C. Wooderson, of London, on British tracks.

Less Said The Better

Commenting on his disability, Lovelock said: "The less said about my knee the better. It is not my right, and I am afraid it never will be right."

It is believed the strain on his knee during the American race adversely affected him in later events.

Lovelock is studying medicine in a London hospital, and, at the moment, thinking more about his professional future than whether his knee will fully recover and enable him to remain the world's greatest mile runner next summer.

—Associated Press.

HOCKEY

(Continued from Page 4)

Surprising Progress

It is a fact that Germany has made enormous and surprising hockey progress in post-war years. English clubs that visit Germany every Easter to take part in the various festivals candidly admit that the German first-class teams are in every way as strong, often stronger, than our own.

That England, after forty years of international playing supremacy, should now find a Continental country well worthy of being met on equal terms, as well as with a good prospect of victory, shows how German hockey has progressed.

Thus this forthcoming international at Edgbaston promises to be one of the keenest and most thrilling struggles in the history of English hockey. Not the least possible attitude can now be given to Germany, and it is safe to say that all past international "gate" records in this country will easily be surpassed.

BASEBALL'S
FINESTTY COBB NO. 1
IN THE GAME'S
HALL OF FAMEBABE RUTH COMES
CLOSE SECONDNAMES FOR MEMORIAL HALL
AT COOPERSTOWN

Chicago, February 3.

Tyrus Raymond Cobb, fiery genius of the baseball diamond for 24 triumphant years, will be the No. 1 immortal in baseball's permanent Hall of Fame. The famous Georgian, who shattered virtually all records known to baseball during his glorious era, won the distinction as the immortal of immortals yesterday by outscoring even such diamond greats as Babe Ruth, Honus Wagner and Christy Mathewson in the nationwide poll to determine which 10 players of the modern age should be represented in the game's Memorial Hall at Cooperstown, N. Y.

Only Cobb, Ruth, Wagner, Mathewson and Walter Johnson, probably the speed-ball king of them all, received the required majority to win places in the hall of fame, but Cobb was given a margin of seven votes over his closest rivals, Ruth and Wagner.

Out of 226 ballots cast by players and writers, the Georgia peach received 222, or four less than a unanimous vote.

Ruth and Wagner received 215 each. Mathewson was fourth with 205 and Johnson fifth with 189. Seventy-five per cent of the total votes, or 169, were needed.

Lajoie A Leader

Napoleon Lajoie, Tris Speaker, Cy Young, Rogers Hornsby and Mickey Cochrane ran in that order for the other five positions left for the moderns, players who starred from 1900 and on, but as none received 75 per cent of the total vote their cases will be submitted to the Cooperstown committee in charge of the Memorial to be erected in time for baseball's centennial in 1939. Their names will be submitted in another poll next year with five or seven places open. Their votes were: Lajoie 146, Speaker 133, Young (who also received 32½ votes for the pre-1900 hall of fame) 111, Hornsby 105 and Cochrane 80.

Cobb Overwhelmed

Ty Cobb was "overwhelmed" yesterday on being declared the No. 1 immortal in baseball's hall of fame.

"I deeply appreciate the honour," said the Georgia Peach, interrupting a round of golf to hear the news. "I am overwhelmed. I am glad they (the players and writers who elected him) feel that way about me. I want to thank them all."

If he had to play his career over again, he would go about it much as he did through the 24 years on the diamond.

"I've played hard, applied myself and tried to do my best in every case," he assured.

His Best Feat

Holder of a dozen or more records for performances on the diamond, Cobb said the single feat that gave him the most satisfaction was a home run for Detroit against Philadelphia that tied the score in the ninth inning. The Tigers went on to win in the seventeenth and copped the league pennant. It was in 1906. Among Cobb's records are these: Twenty-four years in major league baseball, 3033 games, 11,429, times at bat, 2244 runs scored, 3191 hits, 5863 total bases, 12 years batting champion and 23 years of hitting above .300.

SECOND AND THIRD

Miss Cecilia M. Colledge (Parklane Figure-Skating Club) and Miss Megan Taylor (Manchester) were second and third to Miss Sonja Henie, the Norwegian holder of the title, at the end of the first part of the women's championship in the European figure-skating championships in Berlin recently.

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Honouring League Obligations

An important White Paper issued last month contained the correspondence arising out of the application of Article XVI of the Covenant. The British Government desired to know precisely how that Article was being interpreted by other Governments on whom it imposed the duty of special co-operation in the event of the Covenant-breaking State taking military action against any member of the League which was participating in financial and economic measures against the aggressor. The replies were both explicit and satisfactory. Only Spain, while promising to honour her engagements, considered that "the case should be studied in the Committees set up for the purpose in Geneva." France, Yugoslavia, Turkey and Greece, on the other hand, pledged their loyal fulfilment of their obligations in full. The French Government interpreted the Article "as implying unlimited solidarity of action in the matter of military, air and naval assistance." In the event of a possible attack by Italy upon Great Britain "by reason of the latter's collaboration in the international action undertaken by the League of Nations and pursued in concert with France," French support of Great Britain was assured fully and in advance.

That is entirely satisfactory from the British point of view, and also—for this correspondence will constitute an invaluable precedent—from that of the League. As the Balkan Powers took the same view separately and in concert, the natural interpretation of Article XVI is strongly buttressed. The Italian official commentator maintained his uneasy pose that Italy's conscience was wholly free from self-reproach. Once more the point was made that not Italy but Great Britain was the disturber of the peace of Europe because Great Britain took "extraordinary measures" in the Mediterranean without giving information to the League of Nations while examination of the controversy was still pending. What, however, was not stated is that the British warships were not moved to the Eastern Mediterranean till the Italian press had been allowed for weeks to publish a series of inflammatory attacks upon Great Britain, till masses of troops had been placed upon the Libyan frontier of Egypt, and until certain islands in the Dodecanese had been transformed into heavily fortified air-bases which could have no possible relation to the Abyssinian War. Italy insists that this war is purely "of a colonial nature," extraneous to Europe, and, therefore, by inference, of no concern to Europe—or to the League. As practically every other member of the League is of a different opinion, the closing assurance that the war "is not intended to constitute, and will never constitute, a menace to European peace" entirely fails to assure. It is, and must be, a menace to European peace, and it is Italy who has been declared the aggressor.

One important passage in this White Paper is really, though not specifically, addressed to Berlin. It is that in which the British Foreign Secretary pointedly denies the suggestion that the recent conversations between the French and British

EXPLANATION OF TO-DAY'S CARTOON

The Crime Of 610

AFTER Mussolini became the head of the Italian Government, the post office at Rome was deluged with letters bearing the address of "610 Quirinale Roma." The Quirinale is the residence of the King. The puzzled post office authorities finally deciphered the address as "Sei Uno Zero," which, in Italian, means both "You are a cipher" and "Six, One, Nought." Since this contained a reflection on the King's position under Mussolini, the mails were barred to missives so addressed and the addressing of letters in this fashion was made a capital crime in Italy.

Wounded In 1905 By A Revolutionary Bullet

In September 1905, H. W. Lynn, now of Washington, D.C., was sawing lumber in Flatbush, Long Island, when without warning his circular saw hit a bullet imbedded deep in the log on which he was working. The force and friction of the saw on the old slug heated it as it was torn out of the wood, and it struck Lynn in the chest, inflicting a wound that is still noticeable. Investigation disclosed the bullet to be from a Revolutionary War musket. It had been fired into the sapling during the War, being imbedded deeper as the years went by until the fortunate accident in 1905. It was a fortunate accident because this suggestion from Mr. Lynn won him an all-expense trip to Hollywood and return during the recent "Believe It or Not" contest.

COUNCILLORS FINED

"Pecuniary Interest In A Tender"

Stockton-on-Tees: Fines of £10, including costs, were imposed at Stockton-on-Tees last month on each of four members of the local Guardians Committee, on summonses alleging offences in relation to a contract. The defendants were: William Lillystone, aged 54, railway signalman; Mrs. Mary Jane Frankland, J.P., aged 46; Thomas William Coates, aged 51, friendly society agent; and Daniel H. Davies, aged 50 crane driver. All except Mr. Davies, who lost his seat last November, are members of the Town Council. They pleaded not guilty. Dr. J. E. Charlesworth, for the Director of Public Prosecutions, said it was alleged that the defendants, having an indirect pecuniary interest in the local Co-operative Society, took part in the consideration of a tender submitted by the Society, and voted on the question.

AERODROME FOR PRIVATE USE

Plan At Chalfont St. Giles

Messrs. Irwin and Mutton, the estate agents and surveyors representing the intending purchaser of an aerodrome site at Chalfont St. Giles, over which there has been a great deal of local discussion, state their client has done all he could to consider the local inhabitants and the amenities of the neighbourhood.

A storm of protest followed the approval by the Amersham (Bucks) District Council of plan for the aerodrome without consulting the parishioners. Staffs were concerned with anything beyond the position in the Mediterranean. It had been freely stated in Germany that their scope extended to the north-eastern frontier of France, and that so flagrant a breach of the spirit of Locarno would warrant German repudiation of the demilitarisation of the Rhine Valley. Mr. Eden's categorical statement that "the conversations have never been concerned with any other contingency" than an attack on Great Britain in the Mediterranean should give an effective quietus to a most mischievous invention, wholly without any basis in fact.

Here There and Everywhere.

PITCAIRN TO-DAY

Pitcairn was chosen by Fletcher Christian for its remoteness as a fitting hiding-place for the mutineers of the Bounty. To-day it is on one of the world's great trade routes.

Since it is in a direct line between Panama and New Zealand passenger steamers call there regularly. Many of the ships' captains are friendly with the islanders.

Pitcairn's inhabitants, about 200 in number, have a wireless set given to them by the Marconi Company, which enables them to make contact with ships. As one approaches the island, a sharp look-out is kept for the first sign of the whale-boats which carry the islanders out to the ship. Rope ladders are thrown over for them, and men, women and children scramble aboard laden with baskets of produce.

FAREWELL HYMN

Many kinds of fruit are grown on the island—oranges, lemons, limes, pineapples, paw-paws, custard apples, persimmons, and alligator pears. The islanders have learned in recent years to weave baskets, and they make and dye strings of beads from seeds.

When the captain of a visiting ship gives the signal that he must leave, the islanders sing their farewell hymn, "We Shall Meet Beyond the River." Before they go they often give the passengers on round-voyages commissions to execute in New Zealand—to bring back sewing cottons, needles, or washing blue.

Your Daily Smile!

The class had received a lesson on the early history of trading.

At the close the teacher asked, "Now what do we know about the Phoenicians?"

Bright Boy: "They invented blindfold to keep the sun out."

Financial Genius

"Dad, it says here that a certain man was a financial genius. What does that mean?" "That he could earn money more quickly than his family could spend it."

EUROPE AND OIL SANCTIONS

RESPONSIBILITY TOO MUCH TO BEAR

ADHESION OF AMERICA SEEN AS ABSOLUTELY NECESSARY

(By Edouard Herriot)

THE question of sanctions is once more occupying the agenda at Geneva. The enquiries made by the experts will shortly be followed by important decisions, in particular on the question of oil.

Meanwhile, the military operations are continuing, and even developing, in Abyssinia. On both sides blood is being spilt, and, once more, the League of Nations is powerless in the face of the challenge to its authority.

In these circumstances, what line of policy does the new French Government propose to follow?

We are already in possession of certain indications as regards the general foreign policy of the new French Cabinet.

In the first place, and above all, it has expressed itself definitely in favour of "international co-operation," of "the observance of international engagements," of "the development of collective security in accordance with the principles of the League of Nations."

Maintenance Of Peace

It has declared that it will endeavour, by its diplomatic action, to promote anything that may facilitate, under the aegis of the League of Nations and in a spirit of friendly understanding, the settlement of the Italian-Abyssinian dispute and the cessation of a cruelly destructive war.

"All its efforts," it adds, "will thus tend to preserve for the European community the advantages of our friendly relations and of our treaties of assistance, the sole object of which is the maintenance of the peace."

Barbs David Kaphokeokimiokeowaksakmahnanok is Haiti's postmaster-general. Still, it's only right he should monopolize most of the letters in Haiti.

peace organisation within the framework of the League of Nations. These words strike an unmistakable note of sincerity, and it should be remembered that they have been approved by M. Paul-Boncour, whose foreign policy has from the outset been grafted upon the League.

The Sarraut Cabinet has expressed its firm resolution to respect and develop the formulae of the League of Nations. It has further made an urgent appeal to Germany. A rapprochement with this great nation is the sincere desire of every reasonable Frenchman.

Earlier Efforts

For our part, we sought to bring about this consummation as early as 1924, at the London Conference, when we signed with the Germans a peace which had been agreed to and fully considered by them.

We made further efforts in this direction at Lausanne, in 1932. And although we—Briand and myself—on several occasions experienced a bitter disappointment, the explanation of which may be found in Stresemann's remarkable memoirs, we were always ready for conciliation, provided it were sincere.

I must apologise for speaking of myself, but I wish to contribute to a clarification of the situation, and for the first time during a long period I can speak freely. I am now "an escaped prisoner"—so runs the title of a famous film—and can take advantage of my new-found freedom to voice my exact thoughts.

The doctrine which I have preached from the tribune, which the Left Wing has approved, to which M. Sarraut's

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"BELIEVE IT OR NOT" by Robert L. Ripley

IT IS A CAPITAL CRIME

"610"

Quirinale Roma

TO ADDRESS A LETTER LIKE THIS TO THE KING OF ITALY

"SEI UNO ZERO" MEANS "YOU ARE A CIPHER"

INDICATING THE ROYAL POSITION UNDER MUSSOLINI'S GOVERNMENT



THE WAR BIRD! JULIUS BRITTEBANK, of Charleston, S.C. HE WAS IN CUBA WHEN THE SPANISH-AMERICAN WAR BEGAN CHINA DURING THE 1912 REVOLUTION MONTENEGRO AT THE OUTBREAK OF THE BALKANS, 1912 GERMANY WHEN THE WORLD WAR BEGAN ENGLAND WHEN SHE DECLARED WAR

A.P. HATFIELD'S RING—LOST 35 YEARS AGO WAS FOUND IN A POTATO BY HIS DAUGHTER—HARRISVILLE, W. Va.

H. W. Lynn of Washington WAS WOUNDED IN 1905 BY A BULLET FIRED IN THE REVOLUTIONARY WAR

THE BULLET WHICH HAD LODGED IN A TREE WAS STRUCK BY A CIRCULAR SAW



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Between the covers of the Social Hygiene Year-Book the reader will find, in summarised form, information regarding a number of subjects which may seem to have little connection with each other. In addition to a wealth of data regarding the prevalence and treatment of the venereal diseases, questions of prostitution, the marriage laws and traffic in women and children, the book includes sections concerning the welfare of the Mercantile Marine, the progress of biological education, and miscellaneous information regarding various other social services.

Thus begins the Foreword to the "Empire Social Hygiene Year-Book" for the year just closed; and its publication prompts note and comments on a number of things.

First of all, the Foreword reminds us of the sad blow the death of its part author dealt to the whole movement of social hygiene. Sir Basil Blackett was, at the time of his untimely death which was caused by a motor accident in Germany, President of the British Social Hygiene Council, to which post he was unanimously elected in 1929 on the retirement of the Marquess of Lifford. Thus tragically ended the third and last phase of a most valuable life spent in the service of the Empire both in India and at home.

Sir Basil's last publications will therefore be read with special care and there is one part which should interest in Hong Kong both the Education Department and the University authorities. He says: "The British Social Hygiene Council insists on the paramount importance of the biological science in the educational curricula throughout the British Empire. Not only the health and educational services, but all who are engaged in general administration are called upon to realise the need of the biological outlook."

Three Chapters

So important is this theme considered, that three later chapters of the book are devoted to it. The first by Arthur Mayhew is entitled "Advance in Biological Studies in the British Dependencies and its Relations to similar advance at Home," and his argument may be adequately indicated by this extract:

"The ultimate value of scientific investigation depends on the ability of the community to appreciate and apply it in everyday life. This seems to summarise one of the main aims of science teaching overseas. The goal is certainly not attainable unless the science courses make adequate provision for biological studies."

This chapter ends with a brief review of the teaching in both schools and Universities in England and Scotland. In the latter country it is stated that "it is largely because in the past so many of H. M. Inspectors have been different that the teaching of Biology is in such a deplorable state to-day."

The position in England is no better and far behind Western Europe, American and the Dominions, and for this backwardness the secondary authorities blame the Universities and the Universities blame the schools for the lack of suitable provision for Biology courses and for the absence of students anxious and qualified to take such courses.

Position in Hong Kong?

We wonder what the position is in Hong Kong educational circles, for here, where the Government virtually controls the University, the above excuse can hardly be seriously tendered.

The next chapter is entitled "Biology in the Universities and Training Colleges of the Empire," by E. F. Oaten, and in it the writer discusses details of courses and finally suggests "that it should be the policy of the Year-Book to include annually a survey of the academic facilities in General Biology available for and utilised by teachers within the British Empire." The object of the investigation would be to show how far instruction in General Biology is being given at all and to what extent such instruction as is given lays such a reasonable degree of emphasis on Human Biology as will ensure that those who receive it will be pro-



The site of the Olympic Winter Games under deep snow, the final fall being so heavy that snow-ploughs had to be used to keep the roadways free, is shown in our picture.

"MUSIC IN WORDS"

Interesting Talk By
Miss K. P. Curtin

ENGLISH ASSOCIATION MEETING AT HELENA MAY

A paper of absorbing interest was read by Miss Kathleen P. Curtin, B.A., to a large and appreciative audience at the Helena May Institute last night, her subject being "Music in Words." Her address was punctuated with quotations from many poets, English and foreign, ancient and modern.

Lady Southern, O.B.E., who presided, regretted the inability of her husband, Sir Thomas Southern and Sir William Hornell to attend. Among those present were the Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo and Mrs. Lo, Lady Pollock, Professor R. K. Simpson and Mrs. Q. A. A. MacFadyen, Secretary of the Association.

A hearty vote of thanks to the speaker was proposed by Professor R. K. Simpson and seconded by Mr. J. Russell.

On a proposal by Lady Southern, Mrs. Barker was appointed acting honorary secretary and treasurer of the English Association during the temporary absence from the Colony of Mrs. Q. A. A. MacFadyen on leave. While thanking Mrs. MacFadyen for her excellent work during her term of office, Lady Southern also extended a welcome to Mrs. Barker, remarking she would be of great assistance and joy to the Association.

ROTARY TIFFIN MEETING

Mr. Cyril Champkin On
Managed Currency

A crowded attendance was present to hear Mr. Cyril Champkin, the speaker at yesterday's Rotary tiffin, his subject being "Managing the Currency." Mr. Champkin gave a lucid explanation of exactly what was meant by the term, his speech being enlivened with many amusing flashes of humour.

The Hon. the Colonial Secretary, Sir Thomas Southern, was present. (Continued at foot of next Col.)

perly equipped to assist their future pupils to acquire a scientific outlook on problems of personal and public health.

Again we wonder how Hong Kong would fare in such an investigation.

Teaching Difficulties

The last of these three chapters is by Percy F. Lee on "Some Difficulties in teaching the Human Implications of Biology," in which he stresses the point that Biology taught for its intrinsic cultural value must be the ultimate aim of our efforts if we are to achieve anything of permanent worth.

Least this review should give the idea that the teaching of Biology is all the Year-Book worries about, mention must be made of a long discussion on legislation directed to the problem of prostitution and venereal disease, and chapters on traffic in opium and dangerous drugs, on the international aspect of the film and on the social work of the League of Nations, while over 400 pages are set apart for details concerning the social hygiene of the Empire. This book will undoubtedly demand the attention of both educational and health authorities throughout the Empire, and particularly in those places where biological instruction is in the early embryonic stage.

To-day's Short Story

FIRST NEWS BULLETIN

By Donald
Shoubridge

WHEN Joseph Higgins set out that morning, nothing was farther from his thoughts than the purchase of a wireless set. He loathed the cinema and jazz and modern youth, and everything else that had ruined England.

But for all that, he did buy one—from a travelling tinker in the market. One minute he was staring at it, and the next he was carrying it away, carrying it prominently and not even wrapped up. People who knew him gasped as he passed them. Even Higgins himself couldn't understand it. He could remember nothing of the bargaining processes that had led to it—all he could remember was the peculiar intensity of the tinker's eyes.

It was a queer business right from the beginning.

He took it home to the dreary house where he lived alone on less than half his income.

Mrs. Rush, the daily, stared at him.

"There," she said, "the tea leaves said something extraordinary was about to happen."

"Indeed," said Higgins coldly. "I wonder you didn't get an up-to-date loudspeaker one when you was about it, though. Reely I do. 'Eadphones and a crystal to-day. 'Eadphones! Now my sister Ada—"

"I am not interested in the tastes of your sister Ada. No doubt the modern vulgarity of the loudspeaker has a particular appeal for her. For myself I prefer the old-fashioned intimacy of headphones."

Mrs. Rush sniffed. Old-fashioned intimacy be blown! Downright meanness she called it. He got a nephew of Mrs. Rush to fix it up for him. A young man called Harry Cox. He paid him two shillings. The lad was unemployed, and Joseph Higgins felt proud of having helped to alleviate distress.

"Of course you can't expect much of a job with this. Now if it had a valve-amplifier—"

"It is all I require," said Higgins. And, indeed, it was far more.

He had no wish to waste his time listening to music and light entertainment. As for talks, he shuddered at the idea of them. It stood to reason they must be directed at some lowest common multiple of modern intelligence.

No, it was just the news he would listen to. It would save the cost of his evening paper.

So punctually on the first evening he waited for the first news bulletin—and went on waiting! He did everything Cox had told him, tried both National and Regional, moved the cat's whisker all over the crystal—but he could hear nothing. And yet just be-

sent, and among the guests who attended were the following:—Lieut.-Col. H. B. L. Dowbiggin, Dr. E. S. Tai (Canton), Mr. C. M. Delgarno (Aberdeen, Scotland), Mr. C. P. S. Wong (Singapore), Mr. H. Mead (Shanghai), Messrs. A. Collison, R. Stock, W. A. MacIntyre, J. Pym, R. A. Rodgers, E. S. Abraham, E. Grossman, E. Lewis, C. da Rosa, G. E. Wetton, J. Stevenson, D. H. Blake, John Manners, W. J. Hansen, N. E. Nelson, H. Halligan, G. S. Hughes, Jones, I. Shu-long, P. Gockchin, T. A. Martin, H. Murdoch, E. W. Duggan, D. M. Ballantyne, C. Stitzer, P. de Roux and H. Jussarsand.

fore he had heard the fading music of a jazz band all too clearly.

At exactly six-thirty a voice suddenly stated that this was the National programme, and until seven o'clock somebody's quartette would sing seventeenth century selections.

Joseph Higgins tore the headphones off savagely.

He'd been done. The set wouldn't function for the one thing he wanted from it.

At nine-thirty he secured a reasonably clear reception of the Second News Bulletin on National.

And it was the same every evening.

TO-MORROW'S STORY

To-morrow's story will be
"The Rocking Pony," by
Howard Jones.

The set would simply go dead from six to six-thirty and Joseph Higgins had either to buy a paper or wait for the Second News Bulletin. If it hadn't meant more money being spent he'd have sent for Harry Cox again.

Quite a fortnight passed before he made his amazing discovery.

He had got up early to do some gardening. It was either that or having a man in to do it; things got behindhand as you got on in years.

During a cup of tea he put the headphones on. The chance of hearing something not meant for the general public appealed to him—like getting something for nothing.

He was amazed to hear an announcer reading a News Bulletin. He listened spellbound to details of a Yorkshire coal mine disaster, of a sensational speech by Mr. Churchill, of a serious cinema fire at Hackney, to city prices and the names of race horses.

He looked at the clock. It was twenty past six. For quite ten minutes he sat there and worried over it. Then he made the dry noise in his throat that he called laughing. Of course. The B.B.C. were trying out a new announcer, making him read some made-up bulletin.

He went out into the garden irritably. It was just like his set to pick up a fake bulletin when it couldn't get real ones. But tired and aching though he was in the evening, he literally jumped out of his chair when he read the evening paper.

There, right across the front page ran the headline—Many Feared Lost in Yorkshire Mine Explosion! And across two columns lower down ran another—Winston attacks Government Policy!

Feverishly he scanned the inside pages. And sure enough on the middle page he read that a serious fire had started early that afternoon at the Elite Cinema Hackney.

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HUNT FOR ESCAPED LUNATIC

Every police officer on duty in London one night last month was issued with the name and description of a lunatic who escaped during the day from Colney Hatch Mental Hospital. It was believed that he might do himself considerable harm and might injure other people in certain circumstances.

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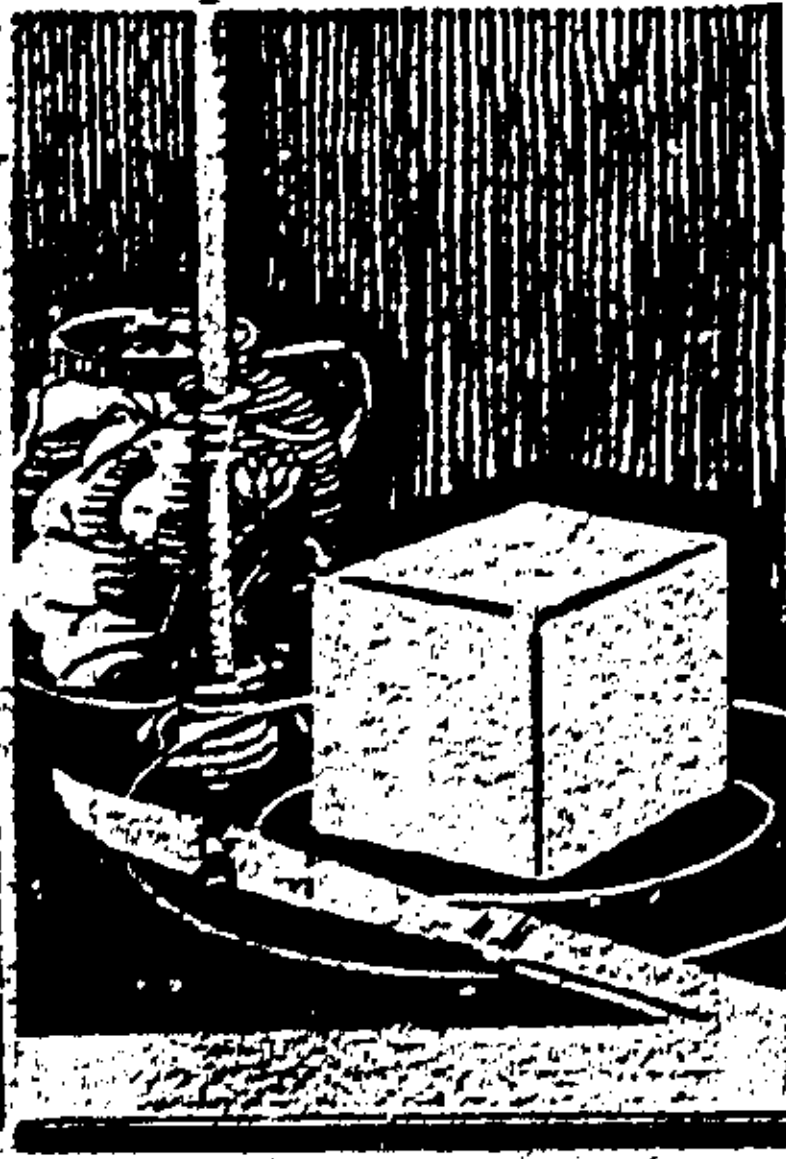
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FRENCH RESOLUTION APPROVED

GENEVA AWAITS REPLIES FROM BELLIGERENTS

CONSIDERATION OF OIL EMBARGO BEING CONTINUED

Geneva, To-day.

At a meeting of the British and French delegations agreement was reached on the text of the French draft appeal to Italy and Abyssinia, urging them, in the interests of peace, to cease war and open negotiations, and asking Italy to reply within an unstated period. It is understood that two or three days would not be considered excessive.

The Committee of Thirteen agreed to the terms of this resolution, after which it adjourned to March 10 to await the replies. The sub-committee of experts in the meantime will meet to consider the means of applying the oil embargo if this is ultimately decided on. — Reuter's Bulletin Service.

London: The reports that Britain sounded the Negus on his willingness to negotiate peace and the terms he was prepared to accept are not denied in authoritative quarters in London. It is known that the British Military Attaché at Abyssinia has been in close touch with the Negus at Dessie and has frequently reported to London.

GERMANY'S NEW SPEED PLANE

10 Passengers At 254 M.P.H.

WORLD'S FASTEST SERVICE CLIMB

Berlin.

A new passenger aeroplane, which it is claimed, will break all records by conveying 10 passengers at a maximum speed of 254 m.p.h. and maintaining a cruising speed of 225 m.p.h. was shown publicly in Berlin recently for the first time.

The machine is the Heinkel 111, a successor to the Heinkel 70, which is already in service for so-called "lightning trips" within Germany during the summer months. The latter, however, has room only for four passengers, and is, consequently, expensive to run.

The new machine, which carried out a trial flight over the Tempelhof aerodrome for the benefit of a few invited guests, combines extreme beauty of form with high technical achievement.

All Metal Machine

It is a monoplane constructed entirely of light metal, and not only its landing wheels, but also the tail wheels, are retractable, so that, in the air, it gives the impression of a flying fish.

It is fitted with twin engines of 660 h.p. each. These are to be replaced by more powerful engines of 880 h.p.—the make of which is still a secret.

Empty, the plane weighs 5½ tons, and with passengers and luggage just over 7½ tons. Its range is 930 miles and landing speed 62 m.p.h.

Commissioned in May

Machines of this type will be placed in commission in May. Their use will represent a speeding-up of passenger flights by about 40 per cent., and will, it is stated, make the German airways the fastest in the world, having regard to the number of passengers carried.

With the new machine the distance of 210 miles between London and Paris could be covered in 56 minutes at normal cruising speed, or just under 50 minutes if the engines were run "all out."

LOCAL TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS

Two People Killed Last Week

Two people were killed in local traffic accidents last week, both when running on the roadway. In all 45 accidents were reported, involving injuries to 18 people. Twelve people were injured when running on the roadway, five when walking on the roadway, and one when jumping on or off, or falling off, a vehicle when in motion.

There were 25 collisions between vehicles, six involving damage to property.

TWENTY LYNCHINGS IN U.S. IN ONE YEAR

Eighteen Coloured Victims

Tuskegee (Alabama). Twenty persons were lynched in the United States last year—an increase of five over 1934—according to Dr. F. D. Patterson, president of the Tuskegee Institute, a school for the higher education of negroes.

Eighteen of the victims were coloured people. The records of the Institute show that Mississippi, with seven lynchings, had more of such crimes than any other State. Louisiana was next, with four lynchings, while Florida, Georgia and Texas each reported two and North Carolina, Tennessee and California one each.

HEROIN PILLS CHARGE

Seaman Fined For Possession

PLEA OF GUILTY

Wan Man-on, a seaman, Leung Sze, a married woman, and Chan Nui, a spinster, were this morning charged before Mr. W. Schofield at the Central Magistracy with possession of 368 heroin pills at No. 68 French Street, third floor, on February 20.

The first defendant was also charged with supplying dangerous drugs.

Mr. C. A. Russ appeared for the first defendant and said that he was pleading guilty to the first charge. He understood that the prosecution were willing to withdraw the other charge and the charges against the other two defendants.

Revenue Officer A. W. Grimmit stated that that was so, as one of the witnesses of the case, who was practically an accomplice, had since run away.

Defendant's Record

Defendant, he said, was a smoker and had been employed as a saloon boy on the Empress of Canada, and on the American mail boats. From enquiries he was found to bear a good character. He had two wives and the pills were found in the handbag of one of his wives. He had a previous conviction 18 years ago.

Mr. C. A. Russ, in asking for leniency for his client, said that he understood that the quality of opium obtainable here was dreadful and unsatisfactory, and the pills found were for his client's own use.

His Worship remarked that he had noticed an increase in heroin smoking recently, and fined defendant \$300, in default three months' hard labour.

MUSIC WRITTEN IN GAOL

Dance-Numbers Based On Prison Life

Auckland (N.Z.).

Eric Mareo, a former London musician and composer, while in prison awaiting trial on a charge of murdering his wife, spent his time composing music to raise funds for his defence.

He has written three pieces—"Prison Patrol," a one-step based on prison life, a fox-trot, and a waltz—which have been published in Sydney.

Mareo was prominent in musical circles in Auckland, where he successfully produced many operas.

He married Thelma Mareo, his second wife, in Auckland nearly two years ago, and four months after her death was arrested.

"NEVER PROPOSE WHEN HAPPY"

Warning Uttered By Psychologist

New York.

If you are out with a girl and feeling utterly happy and contented, never propose marriage. It may be the wrong girl.

That is the warning given by Dr. Donald Laird, Professor of Psychology at Colgate University, in an interview describing the results of some research into "the highs and lows" of human emotion.

"When your mood is at the peak of satisfaction," Dr. Laird said, "it is important not to make important decisions."

"Happy men and women are will-

LOCAL NEWS BREVITIES

The annual athletic meeting of Wah Yan College will be held at Caroline Hill next Friday, commencing at 1 p.m. The Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo will distribute the prizes.

Coast defence artillery gun practice with live ammunition will be carried out from Pakshawan Fort, in the direction of Junk Bay, on Saturday next, between the hours of 6 p.m. and 12 midnight.

The Rev. N. V. Halward, M.C., M.A., formerly Priest-in-Charge of the Kowloon Tong Anglican Church, returned to the Colony on the Dollar liner President Pierce on Monday and was present at the Rotary Club tiffin yesterday.

The monthly dance of the Sailors' and Soldiers' Home is being held at the Home this evening commencing at 8.30 p.m. Tickets are \$1 as usual. The music is being supplied by the Dance Band of the Royal Welsh Fusiliers.

Owing to the indisposition of the conductor, the concert in aid of the Society for the Protection of Children, which was to have taken place at the Peninsula Hotel to-morrow night, is postponed until 9 p.m. on Monday next, March 9.

The s.s. Nankin will leave for Shanghai via ports at 11 a.m. to-morrow.

Hong Kong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day was 0.14 inch. The total since January 1 has been 4.13 inches, against an average of 3.24 inches.

Mr. N. J. Perrin, Manager of Messrs. Thos. Cook and Son, Hong Kong, returned to the Colony this morning by the R.M.S. Empress of Canada, from Manila.

AID FOR LONDON HOSPITAL

Miss Violet Capell Thanked

CHAIRMAN'S LETTER

Miss Violet Capell has received the following letter from the London Hospital in acknowledgment of the £5 she recently sent them, being the proceeds of a dancing display by her pupils given recently:—

London Hospital,
E.I.
29th January, 1936.

Dear Miss Capell,
It was a great pleasure to receive such welcome help for the London Hospital once again.

I send to you and your pupils my grateful thanks for your kindness in allowing the Hospital to benefit by your efforts.

Many thanks, too, for the programme of your Display which accompanied your letter.

Yours very truly,
W. H. GOSCHEN,
Chairman.

ANNIVERSARY AT HEIDELBERG

English Invitations Withdrawn

"CHINA MAIL" SPECIAL

Heidelberg, To-day.
The acid comments in the British press with regard to the invitation of the University of Heidelberg to the British universities to the 550-years' anniversary of the foundation of Heidelberg University, have resulted in the University cancelling these invitations, with the exception of the University of Cambridge, from which a friendly reply is already at hand.

In the letter announcing the withdrawal of the invitations, the Rector of Heidelberg says that he regrets that the invitations have been given political motives by British public opinion, which makes it difficult for the Universities to accept invitations that were inspired solely by friendly feelings.

"In order to save the English Academies from having to make what may be an unpleasant decision, I herewith withdraw my invitation addressed to the British Universities," the letter closes. — "Trans-Ocean Service."

ing to take inordinate chances, even to marrying the wrong person."

The s.s. Talma is due to leave here at 7 a.m. to-morrow for Amoy.

Announcement is made by the Social Committee of the Sailors' and Soldiers' Home that the usual monthly Visitors' Night will be held on Wednesday evening, March 18. Dinner commences as usual at 7.30 p.m., and the concert at 9 p.m. The concert is being arranged by Messrs. W. A. Simpson and J. J. Ferguson. Tickets for dinner and concert are \$1 for civilians and 60 cents for Service Men.

FUNERAL OF OLD RESIDENT

Miss A. Baptista Laid To Rest

MANY FRIENDS ATTEND

The funeral of the late Miss Adelaide A. Baptista, who died at her residence, No. 5, St. Joseph's Terrace, on Monday evening at the great age of 83, took place at the Roman Catholic Cemetery, Happy Valley, yesterday afternoon, the Rev. Father G. M. Spada officiating.

A large gathering of relatives and friends were present at the burial, the chief mourners being Mr. A. Baptista (brother), Messrs. M. F. A. A. and D. C. Baptista, and J. C. Rozario (nephews). Several nieces were also present.

Others present included Messrs. E. M. P. de Graca, J. A. M. Graca, A. F. Osmund, A. J. C. Rocha, L. Ribeiro, D. M. Tavares, V. F. V. Ribeiro, G. F. Tavares, C. H. Osmund, F. M. Marques, A. M. da Silva, J. L. Alves, G. E. Carvalho, J. Webster, G. E. Rocha, J. Barros, A. F. Castilho, A. J. V. Ribeiro, L. Alarackia, H. Dixon, E. M. da Rocha, Mr. and Mrs. Manson, Miss Manson, and many others.

A number of wreaths were laid on the grave, among them being those from: Albertina and Ernest, K. Okamoto, L. E. Ozario and Celeste M. Ozario, Mr. and Mrs. P. J. M. Rodrigues, Mr. and Mrs. Manson and family, and Mrs. Maria F. Ozario and family.

TRAGEDY ON PEAK

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"Arrangements for his funeral are being made for this afternoon. The Police have not yet found any letter or document to explain the tragic circumstances."

The funeral will pass the Monument at 5.30 p.m. to-day.

DETAILS OF CAREER

The late Francis Charles John Cragoe Jenkin was called to the Bar at Gray's Inn, London, on January 17, 1908, and joined the Western Circuit and the County of Devon, Exeter and Plymouth Sessions. He also became a Parliamentary Draftsman and practised before committees in both Houses. He came to Hong Kong in 1912 and was admitted to the local Bar in 1913.

During the war Mr. Jenkin organised a Police Reserve amongst the Europeans of the Colony and acted as Deputy Superintendent of the Force, by whom he was presented with a sword of honour. He was subsequently, in 1918, created a Commander of the Order of the British Empire in recognition of his services. He "took silk" on September 11, 1931.

CHENG TRIAL RECALLED
The late Mr. Jenkin played a prominent part in the famous Cheng Kwok-yan case, in which the son of an F.M.S. millionaire was convicted of abducting the daughter of a Chinese actress. With Mr. Eldon Potter, K.C. he appeared for the defence, as also in the subsequent appeals in the Supreme Court and to the Privy Council. He also figured prominently in many important cases in the Colony.

Mr. Jenkin, who was extremely fond of children, celebrated his silver wedding on February 18 this year, having been married at Westminster Cathedral to Miss Nell McDonagh.

Nothing is definitely known as to the motive of his desperate act, but it is thought that the loneliness caused by the departure for Home of his adopted daughter, Miss Hazel Mills-Jenkin, preyed upon his mind. It is a long time since his daughter, known to friends as Wendy Barrie, left Hong Kong, with her mother and sister "Paddy."

Recipe for Romance

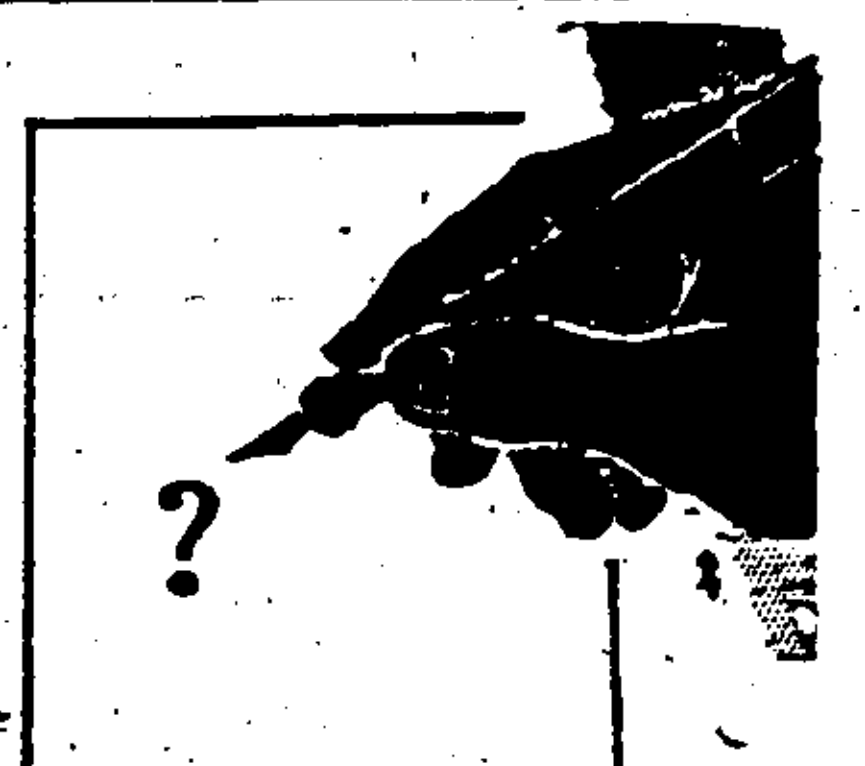


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EUROPE AND OIL SANCTIONS

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Government has just adhered, is a matter of common knowledge.

No Fire-Eating Sanctionist

But I am not a fire-eating sanctionist. I do not believe in the possibility or expediency of that brutal application of that Article XVI of the League Covenant of which the utilisation has for so many years been rejected.

And it is quite clear that it is impossible to apply a sanction of so delicate a nature as that concerning oil without the adherence of the United States.

Europe alone cannot shoulder such a weighty responsibility—responsibility for measures which would, moreover, be ridiculous so long as the United States were to consent to supply the belligerents.

Never, for my own part, have I regretted more than to-day the divorce which has, as it were, taken place between the United States and Europe (in which the latter, I feel bound to confess, bears a large measure of responsibility).

Other Dangers

The present conflict, however serious, is nothing in comparison with the other dangers that threaten the world. And there are dangers which may easily be avoided if universal solidarity or even a partial solidarity exists, but which may have almost fatal consequences if this solidarity is not established.

May we see this before it is too late!

Insurance against war is similar to all other kinds of insurance; the wider its distribution, the easier and surer its working.

We in France remain, more than ever, the convinced partisans of conciliation. We wish to be able to convince the Italian people that its veritable interest does not lie in colonial conquests which, as M. Paul Reynaud has shown, have no great attraction for the Italian emigrants.

Wish To Help

In our opinion, the Italian, sober and industrious, has his best place among nations which, like our own, are happy and willing to receive him as a brother.

In our opinion, Italy, although undoubtedly overpopulated, would have everything to gain and nothing to lose by a redistribution of raw materials as foreshadowed in the bold statement made by Sir Samuel Hoare at Geneva.

Italy's best friends are not those who make the most promises.

We wish to help the friends of Italy. But how can we forget that Italy and ourselves were instrumental in securing Abyssinia's admission to the League of Nations, and that she is thus entitled, as are all other members, to the protection of the League?

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The S.S. chorus of trumpeters, the kettle-drum at the head, at the final rehearsal of the international riding and driving tournament which took place in the "Deutschland" Hall.

First News Bulletin

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And all three of these things had not happened until after eleven that morning! Yet at six twenty, nearly five hours before, he had heard a bulletin...

He paced the room. He went into a cold perspiration of un-canny thought. He trembled nervously.

Could it have happened to everyone? Anyone? Or was it exclusive, a special miracle for Joseph Higgins?

He suddenly remembered the peculiar intensity of the tinker's eyes. It was the set!

By ten to six the next morning he was sitting downstairs with the headphones pressed to his ears and a pad of paper in front of him. He waited in such a feverish excitement that he didn't notice the cold. Supposing it never happened again — and he'd lost his chance?

And then at six the same announcer began speaking... another bulletin was being issued. A wave of relief swept through him. The miracle was regular.

Two airmen killed in a crash at Winchester, three of the entombed miners heroically rescued, the English team to play Wales, on Saturday... Joseph Higgins jotted it all down. Oh, if only he knew shorthand. A sudden rise in the price of tin, an unexpected fall in Grange Motors. And then the racing... one-thirty, Sandy Bar... two o'clock, Dr. Watson... he only bothered to put down the winners.

At the end of the bulletin he'd got three pages of scribbled notes.

He couldn't wait for the evening papers to come down by train. He went up to London where there were editions every hour. He walked up and down Fleet Street all the afternoon buying paper after paper. By four o'clock he had accumulated so many under his arm a lady thought he was selling them... But he didn't care. Everything had happened, the aeroplane had crashed, the miners had been saved, tin had gone up and Grange Motors down, Sandy Bar had won the one-thirty. It had all come to life in the reality of print.

All he had to do was to listen in at six every morning — and he was twelve hours in advance of the rest of the world.

The possibilities were unlimited, beyond imagination. He decided to begin with horses.

As a life-long pillar of the chapel he felt more than a little guilty. But after all, he argued, it wasn't really gambling when you knew which horses were going to win.

The next morning he drew two

hundred and forty pounds from his bank and went up to London. He called on some turf accountants who advertised in the Morning Telegraph.

"I want to put twenty pounds to win on twelve horses," he explained to the clerk. "For to-day's races."

"We can open a credit account," began the clerk.

"Credit! I don't want credit," said Joseph Higgins irritably.

"Sorry, sir, we only do business through credit accounts with clients. It's—er—customary."

The clerk looked at Joseph Higgins. An old fool like this ought to be encouraged. Especially these days.

"I see. I've never betted before. Could I—"

"If you could give me a bank reference, I think..."

So Joseph Higgins opened a credit account and backed his twelve horses. He hadn't realised that a study of the odds might have given a more profitable distribution of his money.

The next day he called to ask how much he'd won.

"One thousand two hundred and twenty-two pounds," gasped the clerk. "Every horse you picked, sir—"

"Yes, every horse," said Higgins. "Now to-day..."

And he put a hundred to win on ten horses.

But when he called the next morning it was not the clerk who dealt with him.

"Here is your cheque, Mr. Higgins," said a bulky and quietly-dressed Jew. "Seven thousand nine hundred and thirteen pounds. I think you will find it correct. And in future I must ask you to place your bets elsewhere."

"But you can't — your advertisements say —"

"I can't, eh?"

"I demand, to see Mr. Malone himself."

"I am Mr. Malone."

So Joseph Higgins went from one book-maker to another. But it was always the same. None of them could stand his infallibility for more than a couple of days.

Still, in two weeks he cleared over eighty thousand.

And in the same two weeks a detailed description of the elder-in-punter who looked like a Hyde Park revivalist but betted like a genius had been circulated to every book-maker in London. Wherever he went they were, accepting no more business that day.

After three days of weariness and wasted information he gave it up as hopeless. They weren't even the sportsmen they called themselves. So long as they won they did business — but as soon as someone started beating them...

It was clearly time to divert his attention to the Stock Exchange and matters of real finance.

There is no point in detailing Joseph Higgins' exploits in the world of stocks and shares. His only difficulty was an initial one in translating the simple statements of the bulletins into profitable practice.

His new bank manager, in explaining the "bad" thus avoided any local gossip about his sudden wealth) put him on to a reliable

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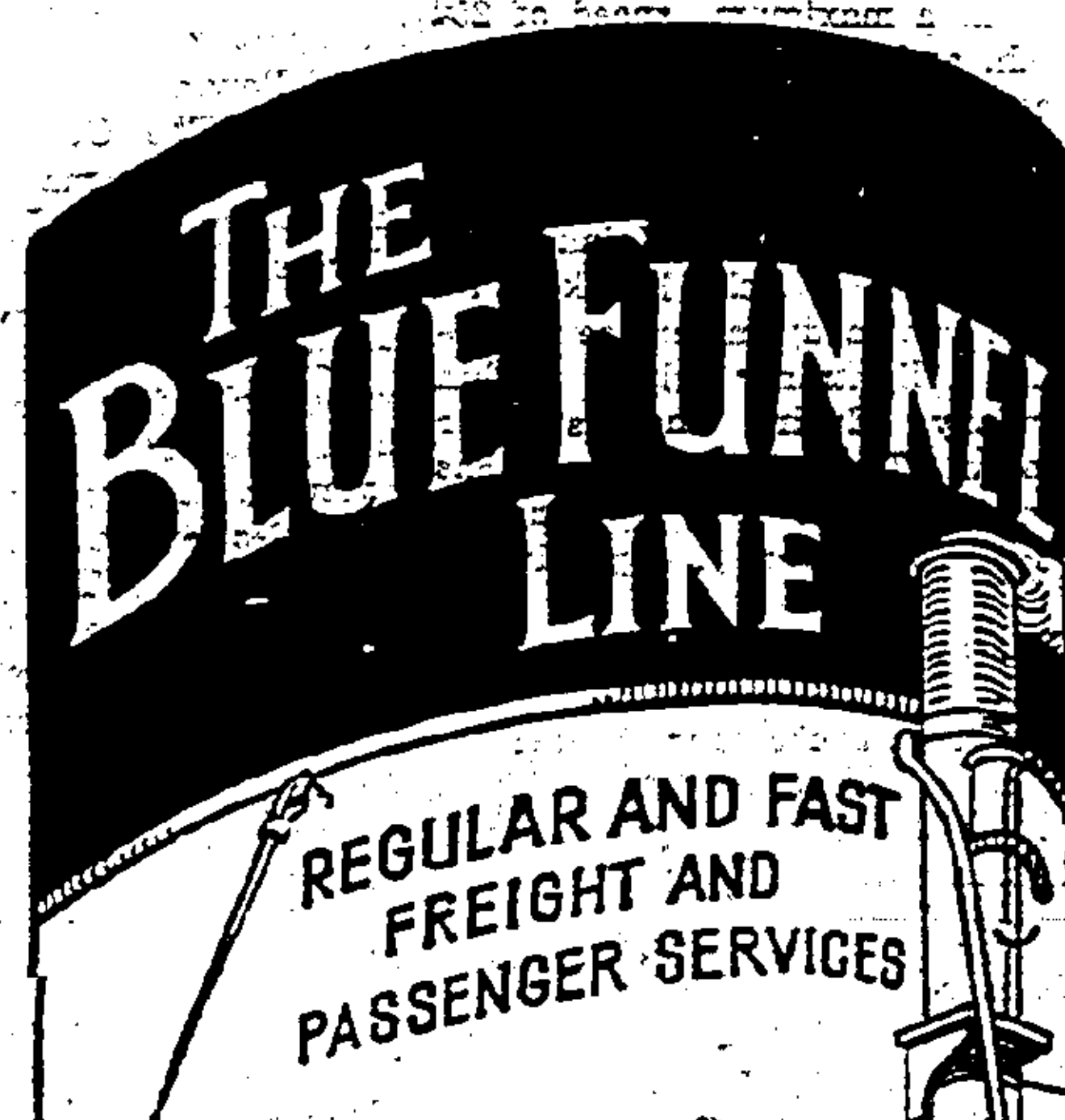
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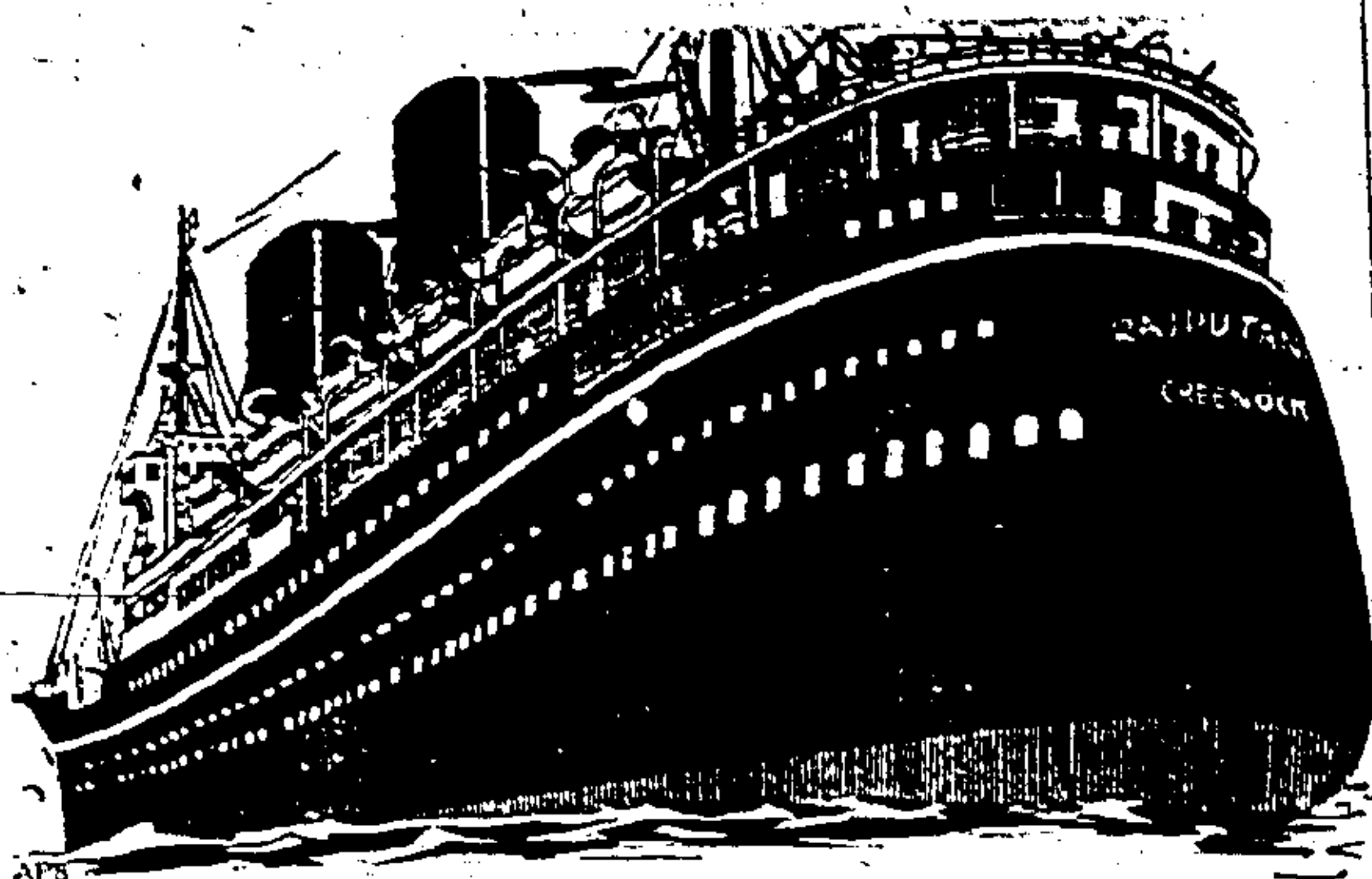
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5. Salut D'Amour (Elgar).
6. Tell me tonight (Spoliansky).
7. Only my Song (Léhar).
8. Andantino (Song of the Soul) (Léhar).

9.15-9.30 p.m.—A Relay of the Davenport News Bulletin (Copyright by Reuters).
9.30-9.40 p.m.—Three Songs by Master Robert Harris (Boy Soprano).
1. One Night of Love (Kahn).
2. Love's Old Sweet Song (Molloy).
3. Bird Songs at Eventide (Coates).
9.40-10 p.m.—From the Studio.
"The English Lyricists" by Alister Drummond.
10 p.m.—Big Ben.
10.10-10.30 p.m.—A Relay from Davenport.
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11 p.m.—Close Down.

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GOOD CHEER FOR LIGHTSHIPS

Christmas gifts of food and clothing were taken by the Hull port chaplain in a yacht to the crews of the Humber lightships.

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broker. And the broker put Mr. Higgins on to those ways in which money is squeezed from the movements of shares. He soon learnt how you could buy on a margin and cover a comparatively large amount of capital with quite a small amount of cash.

His eighty thousand expanded in a few weeks into well over four hundred thousand.
Some days the bulletins didn't help him much, days when everything was firm and unchanging from British Consols to Foreign Loans. Other days they would tell him of some spectacular rise in certain Home Industrials and he would buy them up in thousands. One is tempted to wonder just how much of these rises was due to Joseph Higgins' pre-knowledge of them. The erratic upward tendencies of certain shares round about this time has often been commented upon.

"You're onto a good thing in those," his broker would say. "You ought to hold on till to-morrow and see."
But Higgins would shake his head. What did he know of to-morrow until six in the morning? Everyday he visited the brokers in person. Every day his account at the bank increased.

And the tragedy was he could do nothing with it. He couldn't stay up late because of being up at six in the morning. He couldn't travel because it would mean leaving the set. He couldn't move to a house in keeping with his fortune because the set transplanted might no longer produce its miracles. He was tied hand and foot.

He decided to make a million and then chance splashing out. A million was a safe enough figure. After all, you couldn't make cake and eat it at the same time.
He had actually reached the going hundred thousands when his conscience was startled by the Moorgate crane accident.

Hitherto he had taken little notice of the ordinary news items in the bulletins. When important deaths and sudden disasters had been announced he had never been tempted to achieve a local reputation as a prophet. He had preferred to smile and keep them to himself.
But the announcement that a crane had fallen from a building site shortly before noon in Moorgate had an uncanny effect upon him. He couldn't rid his mind of it. Didn't he walk walk down

Moorgate every day after his first visit to the brokers?

He found himself drawn irresistibly towards it. There was the new insurance offices. He saw only one building being erected, the enormous crane-towering above the steel girders. He calculated its radius of fall and stood beyond it. He couldn't destroy his morbid fascination. All these people walking calmly about—and only he knew....

He saw it fall. He saw the car crushed beneath. He heard the awful crash, the aftermath of screams and moaning. And then he fainted.

When he came round in the shop where someone had taken him he insisted on going at once. He had to think. His conscience was stilling him.

Day after day all this power and knowledge had been given to him—and he had done nothing but sell himself to Mammon. He was steeped in unforgivable sin. All the years he had regularly attended chapel and prayed for his place in Heaven would count as nothing. God would never forgive him for his greed and blindness. He saw himself quailing before a torrent of accusation on the Day of Judgment.

"To you alone was this power granted—yet never once did you lift a finger to save your fellow men!"

Few men had consciences that could prick like Joseph Higgins'. He saw himself cast into an everlasting furnace.

Oh, there was still time to do something, time to make amends. Never again would he use the bulletins to make money. Instead he would save life—a word here, a warning there—and God might forgive him.

But he began to realise it would be far from easy.

Who would have listened to him if he had said the crane was going to fall? Who would believe him if he suddenly appeared at Croydon and said one of the air liners must postpone a regular flight? They would laugh, get rid of him for a lunatic—and then when the things happened, why, they might even have him arrested for knowing too much about them? Oh, it was going to be difficult.

But he would do his best. More than that no man could do. And God would understand.

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"SCARLET EMPRESS"—ORIENTAL THEATRE

"The Scarlet Empress," which more than justifies its advance heralding as Marlene Dietrich's greatest: starring opportunity and Directors Josef von Sternberg's most pretentious production.

Based on a diary by the glamorous Catherine the Great of Russia, who ruled her country with an iron hand and yet was ruled herself by romantic impulses, "The Scarlet Empress" must be rated a spectacle by an standards of judgment. It goes beyond lavishness of production and artistic beauty, however, in that it is one of the most gripping dramatic stories yet to reach the screen.

Miss Dietrich, as Catherine, offers a characterization which compels attention throughout the picture. John Lodge, a comparative newcomer among leading men, scores decisively in the role of Count Alexei. Sam Jaffe as the idiotic Grand Duke Peter and Louise Dresser as Empress Elizabeth likewise make the most of colourful roles.

LIFEBOT OUT IN SOLENT

The Bembridge, Isle of Wight, lifeboat last month picked up the fishing boat, P.171, which was in difficulties in the Solent, and took her in tow. Searchlights were used to locate her.

It was a pity, too, that Mrs. Rush took it upon herself to give away the wireless set. She wrapped it up in brown paper and Joseph Higgins felt a strangely dull thud in the middle of his back. A thud that sent him up in the air and down again.

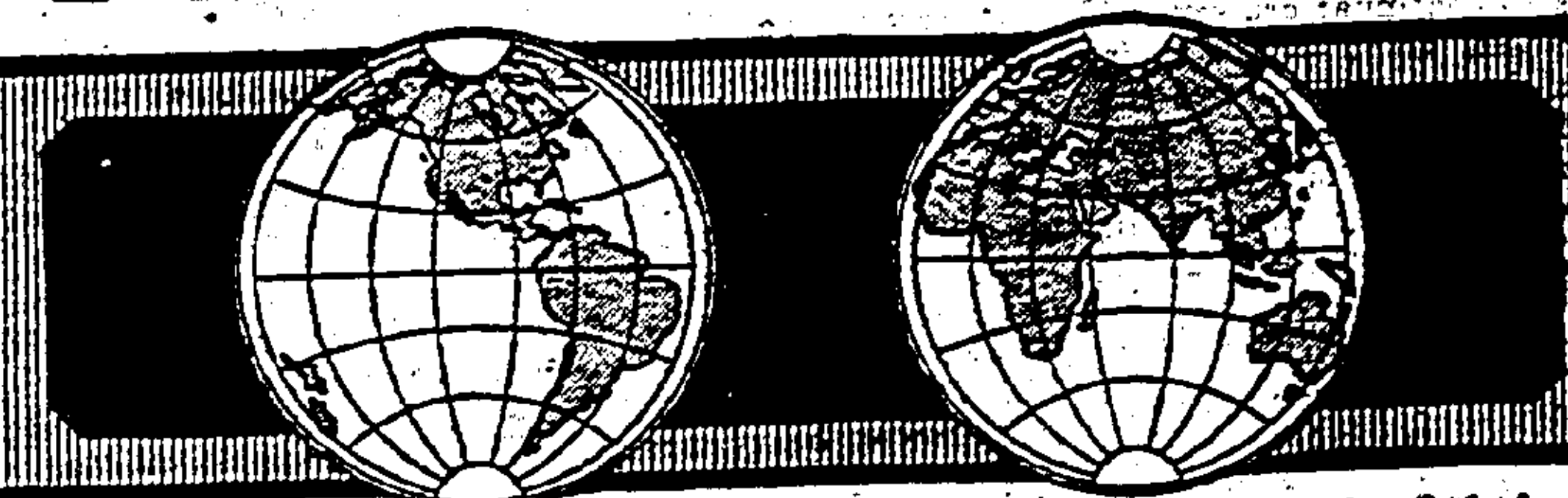
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REACHED**AMBASSADOR'S RECEPTION
LARGELY ATTENDED

London, To-day.

The Chinese Ambassador gave a reception at Burlington House last evening as a farewell to the Chinese Art Exhibition. There were several hundred guests, including all the members of the diplomatic corps. Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, Lord and Lady Zetland, Lord and Lady Stanhope, Lord and Lady Halifax, Lord and Lady Hailsham, Mr. Leslie Hore-Belisha, Sir Austen and Lady Chamberlain, Admiral Sir Frederick and Lady Dreyer, Sir Hugh and Lady Knatchbull-Hugessen, the Duke and Duchess of Atholl and Lord and Lady Lytton, in addition to all the

**N.Y. LIFT MEN'S
STRIKE
1,100 BUILDINGS
AFFECTED**

New York, To-day. The police estimate that workers employed in 1,100 buildings are striking. The police have been further augmented to cope with the situation, which has already caused over 300 cases of disorder. New Yorkers are not seriously inconvenienced, despite the extent of the strike. Substitutes are operating the majority of the lifts vacated by the strikers. — Reuter.

chief members of the Chinese community. General regret was expressed that the Exhibition is closing. So far over 375,000 people have visited the Exhibition, which, in its closing days, is attracting huge crowds. — Reuter.

PARIS CRIES "BRAVO"

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In addition it is proposed to increase the first-line machines of the Royal Air Force to 1,750 planes, exclusive of naval machines, with the general imperial defence air forces increased by 12 squadrons. Four new infantry battalions, the modernisation of field artillery and the improvement of the coast defences of Britain are also envisaged.

The White Paper points out that the Italo-Abyssinian war may cause claims on the British defence forces to arise in various parts of the world at short notice.

**Details Of Defence
Plans**MANUFACTURERS TO BE
PROTECTED

London, To-day.

The Government's defence plans, which were revealed in a White Paper issued yesterday, provide for the immediate expansion of all the fighting services and for the creation of a reserve source of an armaments supply for emergencies. In connection with the manufacture of armaments rendered necessary, arrangements are being made to ensure the fullest and most effective use of the industrial capacity and of the man-power available for production.

A number of firms not normally engaged in such work will be guaranteed sufficient orders to justify laying down plant and machinery. Control to prevent excessive profits will be exercised by an inspection of the books, adequate technical costings audits on behalf of the State and arbitrations in cases of disputes.

The proposals affecting the Navy provide for two new capital ships to be laid down next year, the modernisation of existing battleships to continue; cruisers will be increased to 70—five being included in the 1936 programme; a steady replacement programme for destroyers and submarines; a new aircraft-carrier of a smaller type to be laid down at an early date; the personnel of the navy is expected to rise by about 6,000 men by March 31, 1937.

ARMY INCREASE

In the army, four battalions of infantry are to be raised, the army formations are to be modernised, particular attention being given to field artillery; the Territorial army equipment and training is to be improved.

For the Air Force, including four new auxiliary squadrons to be formed for co-operation with the Territorials, the new programme will increase the Royal Air Force first-line strength by 250 to 1,750 aircraft, exclusive of the fleet air arm, which is to be considerably expanded; and an increase of 12 squadrons for the general scheme of imperial defence.

The proposals for defence outlined in the Paper do not betoken any abandonment of the international policy for limitation of armaments hitherto pursued. "That policy," says the document, "has been steadily directed to discouraging competition in armaments—the recent naval agreement with Germany and the present effort to conclude a new naval agreement

with the Washington powers are instances—and it is true that the general raising of the levels all round is no guarantee of peace. But in determining our own defence programme it is impossible to disregard the extent of the preparations which have been made by others."

REASONS FOR EXPANSION

In explaining the reasons for the expansion the White Paper refers to Britain's worldwide responsibilities and as illustrating how claims on her defensive strength may arise, calls attention to the possibilities of the incident in the Mediterranean which arose last August. It is essential therefore, the document adds, that the relation of our own armed forces to those of the other great Powers should be maintained at a figure which will be high enough to enable us to exercise influence and authority in international affairs, which are alike required for the defence of vital British interests and in the application of the policy of collective security.

The rising level of armaments all over the world is deplored but cannot be denied, and the White Paper examines the situation in various countries. The fact of German rearmament is not concealed, but regarding details there is a great deal of secrecy. In March last conscription on the basis of one year's service was re-established, and the German Government announced a peace-time army establishment of 36 divisions, with a strength of 550,000 men.

EUROPEAN DEVELOPMENT

There has been a continuous development of the German air force. The expansion of the German navy is limited to a definite proportion of Britain's naval forces, but within this limitation the new German Navy is an addition to the world's armaments which cannot be left out of account.

In France two-years' service was introduced in the spring of last year. Its air force is being organised and re-equipped. Barrier fortresses on the north-eastern frontier are being extended.

In Belgium the army expenditure shows a heavy increase. The Italian army has been on a war footing for six months, and in October it was stated that 1,200,000 men were under arms, while further recruits have since been called up.

The Soviet forces, according to the latest figures, now total 1,300,000 men, and a further increase in the Soviet air force is in progress.

JAPAN'S RE-EQUIPMENT

In Japan the re-equipment of the army is proceeding on a comprehensive programme. In 1935-36 the army and navy accounted for 46 per cent. of the total budgetary expenditure, while the deficit on the budget was £45,000,000.

In America the total annual expenditure on defence has risen since last year from \$108,000,000 to \$180,000,000, exclusive of the provision for such non-effective charges as pensions, which in the case of the British estimates for 1935, represented no less than £18,000,000 out of a total of £124,000,000. — British Wireless Service.

**FRENCH SYRIAN
REVOLT
BETTER PROSPECTS
AHEAD**ELECTIONS ACCORDING TO
OLD CONSTITUTION

"CHINA MAIL" SPECIAL

Jerusalem, To-day.

The Nationalist leaders on the whole showed themselves satisfied with the official proclamation of the High Commissioner, and immediately afterwards assembled to decide the date for the end of the general strike and to prepare for the elections on the basis of the old constitution.

There is no doubt amongst the leaders that this election will result in a large majority for the nationalist groups. Eight banished Nationalist leaders were released on Monday and on their arrival in Damascus were carried on the shoulders of the enthusiastic crowd. About 80 other arrested persons were released on Monday and 100 more yesterday. The reopening of the Syrian University and the reinstatement of the expelled students is being arranged.

The official proclamation gives the population the assurance that the forthcoming treaty with France gives them the same rights as the British Treaty with Iraq gives the latter. The end of the 45-days' strike will coincide with the festival of Beiram, about to be celebrated. — Trans-Ocean Service.

**SWEEPING CHANGES IN
U.S. TAXATION**

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ROOSEVELT QUESTIONED

Washington: Answering numerous questions concerning the tax programme President Roosevelt, at a press conference, indicated that there were a great many details yet to work out. He said that the scale of the surplus tax rate had not yet been determined, nor whether a corporation may use its earnings for tax retirement without paying the tax.

He expressed the opinion that the programme would not retard recovery but might prevent unnecessary plans of extension. He said that one object of the programme was to increase the velocity of the turnover of money and at the same time, he uttered a caution against confusion between a reserve and a surplus.

He said that an adequate reserve was permitted, including that for depreciation. He also said that no increase in the personal income-tax rate was contemplated, aside from the provision made for a dividend, subject to the normal tax rate. — Reuter.

**LONDON COMMENT ON
DEFENCE SCHEME**

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Far from abandoning its peace policy, this country has been nervously by a clearer understanding of its own functions in the world to put forth new exertions for parallel objectives. Negatively it is determined to act with other nations who are peace-minded but not unprepared for the prevention or restraint of aggression. Positively it has been stirred to prove that the collective system possesses the means of making as well as keeping peace. Behind that dual policy the whole conviction of the Empire is ranked.

"DAILY MAIL" DISAPPOINTED

The Daily Mail asserts that the Government programme is a grave disappointment to thoughtful minds. The insufficiency of the proposals is most clearly shown in the case of the vital air arm.

The News Chronicle says the programme conveys every suggestion of having been conceived in panic, without any concrete idea what the panic is all about. — Reuter.

COLD WAVE GRIPS CANTON

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Owing to the lack of accurate weather forecasts, no one knows when the lingering cold spell will be over. The local radio broadcasting stations give out time and weather reports, but they are often not reliable.

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